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ELECTED APRIL 9, 1884.

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FOR 1884-1885.

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# BOSTON YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION,

18 BOYLSTON STREET.

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THE society was instituted in 1851, and incorporated under its present name in 1852. After a successful existence of twelve years, its work was temporarily discontinued in consequence of the interruption caused by the Civil War. The work was resumed again in 1868 under its present auspices, and rooms were provided at No. 12 West Street. These soon proving too small for the purposes of the society, larger ones were taken in the fall of 1868 at what was then No. 300 Washington Street, corner of Suffolk Place, where the whole building above the first floor was eventually occupied. These premises also proving inadequate, it became necessary again to move and enlarge the accommodation. A suitable lot of land having been found, a public appeal was made in the spring of 1874 for funds with which to purchase the land and erect a building for the society. By the generosity of its friends, the necessary amount with which to begin the work was speedily secured, and the present building was completed, and dedicated to the use of the Union March 15, 1876. By the munificent legacy of the late Joseph B. Eaton, a Life Member, supplemented by a free-will offering of some of its donors, the society was enabled in 1879

(December 10) to hold its buildings free from all indebtedness. The enlarged facilities not only increased the power of the Union in various fields of benevolent work at home and abroad, but the greatly augmented membership tested the building to its utmost capacity. In 1882, on account of the constantly increasing membership of the Union and the growing and pressing need of still larger accommodations, the society found that the building was still not spacious enough, and an enlargement was deemed necessary. An appeal was made to its many friends, who promptly responded; and the addition to the building was made, and dedicated May 28, 1883.

The extension has a frontage of seventy-two feet on Boylston Square, so that now the Union Building has light from all four sides, and covers over eleven thousand feet.

The chief aim of the officers of the society is to make the Rooms, to as great an extent as possible, a home for young men; to offer every possible attraction in the shape of books, papers, games, pleasant companions, classes, dramatic and musical entertainments, and other means of instruction and recreation.

Without ever losing sight of its special work, the Union has always been ready to discharge its duty to the community by such general benevolent work as may come within its scope.

In this branch of outside work, the officers have been greatly assisted by members and committees of ladies who have labored indefatigably and successfully. Among these special objects may be mentioned the Christmas and New Year's Festival for needy children, the Rides for Invalids, and Country Week for poor children.

In addition to these are the occasions when, at



times of disaster abroad, the Rooms have been made a depot for the receipt of contributions and a source for the distribution of relief.

### LOCATION.

The building is situated on Boylston Street, corner of Tamworth Street, near Tremont Street, overlooking the Common, and has also a frontage on Boylston Square with an entrance opposite Washington Street.

It is open to air and light on every side, and nearly all the various lines of horse-cars pass the door.

### ROOMS.

THE RECEPTION ROOM is at the head of the first flight of stairs from Boylston Street, with side windows opening upon Tamworth Street, formerly called Lowell Place. The members and all other persons visiting the Union enter here, and from this room pass to the other portions of the building occupied by the society. It contains the desk of the Curator and Librarian, and facilities for checking the garments of members. It is also supplied with croquet and bagatelle boards, tables for checkers and dominos, an aquarium, and a case containing a nearly complete collection of the birds of New England. Besides the Librarian or Curator, members of the Reception Committee are in attendance here evenings, in order to receive strangers and others, and to give them such information and attention as are in their power. This room is open every day, including Sundays, from 8 o'clock A.M. to 10 o'clock P.M.

THE UNION SITTING ROOM, connected with this room, is in front on Boylston Street, and commands

a fine view of the Common. It is pleasantly furnished, is supplied with newspapers and a piano, and is intended to be a social room for members. It contains a cabinet of collections of minerals, insects, etc. Adjoining the Sitting Room is a side room for similar purposes, and for chess-playing.

THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS' ROOM, connected with the Reception Room in the rear, is used for the business purposes of the society. It commands a view of the entire floor.

THE LIBRARY AND READING ROOM is in the L, and is also connected with the Reception Room. It is lighted with windows on three sides, and is furnished with a library of about seven thousand volumes, and with the leading magazines and illustrated and weekly newspapers. The Library Room has been enlarged, so that it now has a capacity for from forty thousand to fifty thousand volumes, and is the largest reading-room in Boston, being one hundred and twelve feet long and having five thousand feet of floor space. Members can at all times take books from the shelves and read them in the room, the Library thus becoming so attractive that many are induced to spend their time in reading who would not do so, unless the books were placed, as it were, in their hands. Books can also be taken away under the ordinary regulations.

CORRESPONDENCE.—Facilities for correspondence are furnished to members in connection with the Library.

THE UNION STUDY, also opening from the Library, is supplied with books of reference accessible to members at all times.

THE TOILET ROOM, with bathing-rooms attached, is down a rear flight of stairs from the Reception Room.

THE GYMNASIUM, another flight below, on the ground floor, is spacious and lighted on every side. It has been much improved, and nearly three thousand feet of floor-space has been added, so that it has become one of the largest and most complete in the country. It is 136 feet in length, and covers 6,200 superficial feet, exclusive of dressing-rooms, or in all over 10,000 feet. It is provided with bath-rooms, large dressing-rooms, and is furnished with a great variety of new apparatus of the most approved patterns. Dressing-boxes are free; and the members are entitled to the use of the tub and sponge baths, which are provided with hot and cold water. Instruction is afforded to the members by a well-qualified superintendent, under the supervision of Dr. D. A. Sargent, Medical Director.

Members of the Union become entitled by the payment of seven dollars per year to the use of the Gymnasium at all times when open. Four dollars per year entitles them to its use after 7 o'clock P.M.

COMMITTEE ROOMS connect with the Parlor and each other by wide doors, and are used, as well as other smaller rooms, as occasion requires.

Five large and three small Class Rooms have been gained by the addition to the building.

THE UNION HALL is reached by two easy flights from Boylston Street, as well as by a spiral staircase from the Reception Room, and has an exit on Boylston Square. It is furnished with folding seats, and is capable, with the gallery, of seating five hundred

and twenty-six people. The stage has been much enlarged and improved. It is thirty-six feet wide and thirty-nine feet deep, with a proscenium twenty-one feet, and is the largest private stage in the city. It is admirably adapted for concerts, lectures, and dramatic performances, for which it is provided with new and appropriate scenery. There have been added large and convenient anterooms and dressing-rooms. Connected with the stage is a separate entrance from Boylston Square. The hall is used for religious services, lectures, entertainments, and other public purposes of the society, and is also let for similar purposes when not used by the society.

EATON HALL is connected with The Union Hall by double folding-doors, so that the two halls may be used together, if desired; and it is also used for the ordinary purposes of the society. It will seat about one hundred persons.

NORCROSS HALL, gained by the addition to the building, is lighted with windows opening on Boylston Square. It has a large stage and anteroom, and has a seating capacity of two hundred and seventy-five. This new hall was named Norcross Hall in memory of the late Hon. Otis Norcross, for many years Treasurer of the Board of Trustees.

THE UNION PARLOR, reached from the Reception Room by the spiral staircase or by the main stairway, is in front, with a view of the Common. It is furnished in a pleasant, homelike manner, and contains a piano, megalethoscope, kaleidoscope, pictures, etc.



## RELIGIOUS SERVICES, CLASSES, ETC.

To promote further the objects of the society, public religious services, followed by social singing, are held regularly Sunday evenings in The Union Hall. Classes are formed for the study of German, French, Spanish, Book-keeping, Penmanship, Sketching, Vocal Music, Elocution, Phonography, and other branches. Practical talks on matters of Science, Political Economy, History, English Language, Banking, and Art, are given, also Essays in Practical Ethics, and frequent Lectures, Readings, Dramatic, Musical, and other entertainments. During the winter season, monthly meetings of members and their lady friends are held; and, during the summer season, excursions are taken to points of interest in the vicinity of Boston.

## BENEVOLENT AND CHARITABLE WORK.

Under the supervision of the Committee on Benevolent Action, benevolent and charitable work is carried on in various departments.

THE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU aids members, and others, in getting employment. All persons who can furnish employment, or who know of vacancies to be filled, confer a great favor by communicating with this Bureau.

THE BOARDING-HOUSE DEPARTMENT endeavors to provide good boarding-places, at a moderate price, for those desiring them.

A COMMITTEE ON CHURCHES provides members with seats in *any church of the city which they desire to attend, free, or at a moderate expense*, and renders such other services as are in its power.

A COMMITTEE ON CLOTHING attends to the distribution of clothing given for the purpose to worthy young men needing such assistance.

A COMMITTEE visits and cares for members when sick.

BENEVOLENT AND CHARITABLE WORK of various kinds is carried on by committees of members of the Union and the Ladies' Committees.

A COMMITTEE ON THE COUNTRY WEEK sends poor children into the country for vacations of ten days or a fortnight.

THE INVALID RIDES DEPARTMENT furnishes carriages for drives in the suburbs to convalescents in the hospitals and elsewhere.

Young men, without regard to their religious belief or associations, are cordially invited to become members of the society, and to co-operate in the accomplishment of its purposes.

The fee for *Annual Membership* is ONE DOLLAR; for *Subscription Membership*, FIVE DOLLARS; for *Life Membership*, TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS. A subscription membership for five successive years constitutes a life membership.

All persons interested in the success of the society, who are willing to aid it by *contributions, professional services as teachers, by engaging in its charitable and benevolent work, or in any other way*, will confer a favor by communicating with any of its officers or committees, or proffering their assistance at the Rooms.

## LIFE MEMBERS.

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It is always a pleasure to call the attention of the friends of the Union to the large and constantly increasing list of Life Members, which seems to indicate a cordial interest by the general public in the welfare of the society.

Each new Life Member is an addition to the number of persons having a direct interest in the present and future prosperity of the society. The Life Membership fee of \$25 is also a substantial benefit pecuniarily. A cordial invitation is again extended to all who may feel so inclined to make themselves, or friends in whom they have an interest, Life Members.

Each new Member will receive a membership card and a neatly framed Life Member's certificate.

The total number of Life Members on April 1, 1884, was one thousand two hundred and ninety-one (1,291); and the names of one hundred and ninety (190) members now deceased (marked \*) appear in the following list. It is desired that information of the decease of Life Members whose names are not so marked should be sent to George Peirce, Chairman of the Committee on Members, or to the President, W. H. Baldwin, 18 Boylston Street.



- Abbot, Frederic B.  
 \*Abbot, H. W.  
 Abbot, Henry W., Jr.  
 Abbott, Jere :  
 \*Adams, Alvin  
 Adams, Benjamin F.  
 Adams, C. Henry  
 Adams, Charles Henry  
 Adams, Frank H.  
 Adams, Thomas F.  
 Adams, W. L. B.  
 Agassiz, Alexander  
 Ainsley, J. R.  
 Alden, A. H.  
 Alderson, Victor C.  
 \*Alger, Francis  
 Allen, Charles W.  
 Allen, Edward Everett  
 Allen, J. Marshall  
 Allen, Joseph H.  
 Allen, S. B.  
 \*Allen, Wm. E.  
 Allen, William H.  
 Almy, John P.  
 Ames, Rev. Charles G.  
 Ames, Frank M.  
 Ames, Fred L.  
 Ames, Hobart  
 Ames, Oakes  
 Ames, Oliver  
 Ames, Oakes A.  
 Ames, Oliver, 2d  
 Ames, William Hadwen  
 Ames, Winthrop  
 \*Amory, Francis  
 Amory, Wm.  
 Andrews, Chas. H.  
 Andrews, Frank W.  
 \*Andrews, William T.  
 Angell, George T.  
 \*Appleton, Nathan  
 \*Appleton, Samuel  
 Appleton, William S.  
 Arbecam, B. L.  
 Armstrong, Geo. E.  
 Atherton, Chas. F.  
 Atherton, Fred W.  
 Atherton, Geo. E.  
 Atherton, Samuel  
 Atherton, William
- Atkins, Edward F.  
 Atkins, Elisha  
 Atkinson, William P.  
 Atwood, Revere E.  
 Austin, Edward  
 Avery, Abraham  
 \*Ayer, Rev. Adams
- Babcock, James F.  
 Bacon, F. A.  
 Bacon, Francis W.  
 Bacon, Jerome A.  
 Bacon, Vaughn D.  
 Baker, Chas. M  
 Baker, Dan'l B.  
 Baker, E. Henry  
 Baker, Ezra H., Jr.  
 Baker, Geo. M.  
 Baker, W. E  
 Baker, Walter N.  
 Baker, Wm. M., Jr  
 Balch, William  
 Baldwin, A. C.  
 Baldwin, Frank F.  
 Baldwin, George S.  
 Baldwin, Herman T.  
 Baldwin, Jacob  
 Baldwin, James C. T.  
 Baldwin, Richard B.  
 Baldwin, Robert C.  
 Baldwin, Thomas T.  
 Baldwin, William H.  
 Baldwin, William H., Jr.  
 Bangs, Charles Augustus  
 Bangs, G. Pemberton  
 Barbey, Jacob A.  
 Barnard, Joseph T.  
 Barnard, Robert M.  
 Barnes, Charles B.  
 Barnes, Charles B., Jr.  
 \*Barnes, D. W.  
 \*Barnes, Thomas P.  
 Barrows, Rev. S. J.  
 Barrows, R. S.  
 Barry, C. D.  
 Barry, W. E.  
 Bartlett, D. Wendell  
 Bartlett, Francis  
 Bartlett, John  
 Bartlett, Nelson S.
- Bartlett, Sidney  
 Bartlett, Stephen L.  
 Bartol, Rev. C. A., D.D.  
 Basset, W.  
 \*Batchelder, Edward E.  
 Batcheller, A. H.  
 \*Batcheller, George E.  
 Bates, Geo. P.  
 Bates, William C.  
 Baxter, E. Frank  
 Baxter, James T.  
 Baxter, Thompson  
 Beal, Alexander  
 Beal, Henry M  
 Beal, Henry R.  
 Beal, James H.  
 Beal, James H., Jr.  
 Beal, Joseph S.  
 Beal, Thomas P.  
 Bean, Henry S.  
 Bean, John  
 Beebe, J. Arthur  
 Bemis, Charles E.  
 Bemis, Frank B.  
 Bemis, F. T.  
 Bemis, Harry H.  
 Bennett, John A.  
 Bickford, Chas.  
 \*Bigelow, Alanson  
 Bigelow, Alanson, Jr.  
 Bigelow, Alanson, 3d  
 Bigelow, A. O.  
 Bigelow, Ernest Abraham  
 Billings, Henry  
 Black, Wm. M.  
 Blake, Arthur W.  
 \*Blake, Geo. B.  
 Blake, Geo. Baty  
 Blake, James H.  
 Blake, W. F.  
 Blake, Stanton  
 Blanchard, Rev. Henry  
 Blanchard, W. A.  
 Boardman, W. L. P.  
 \*Boehr, John Edward  
 Boise, P. H.  
 Bond, Edw. P.  
 Bouvé, Geo. W.  
 Bowditch, J. Ingersoll  
 Bowser, Rev. A. T.



- Boyd, Alexander  
 \*Brackett, F. B.  
 Brackett, Foster Hodges  
 Brackett, Frank H.  
 Brackett, Lyman F.  
 Brackett, W. G.  
 Bradford, Charles F.  
 \*Bradford, Fred T.  
 Bradford, Gamaliel  
 Bradlee, Rev. C. D.  
 Bradlee, John T.  
 Bradlee, Nathaniel J.  
 \*Bradlee, Samuel  
 Bradley, J. Payson  
 Bradley, Rev. Leverett, Jr.  
 Bradt, Benj. N.  
 Bremer, John L.  
 Bremer, William M.  
 Bremner, Rev. Geo.  
 Brennan, Peter J.  
 Brett, Geo. E.  
 Brewster, Wm.  
 Bridge, Harry M.  
 Bridge, John Walter  
 Briggs, Andrew G.  
 Brigham, Edmund S.  
 Brigham, Joseph B.  
 Brigham, William T.  
 \*Bright, William E.  
 Bright, Wm. E., Jr.  
 Bronsdon, Herbert C.  
 Brooks, Chas. B.  
 Brooks, C. D.  
 \*Brooks, Edward  
 Brooks, Francis  
 Brooks, Rev. John G.  
 Brooks, Josiah M., 2d  
 \*Brooks, Peter C.  
 Brooks, Rev. Phillips, D.D.  
 Brooks, Shepherd  
 Brown, Allen A.  
 \*Brown, Augustus  
 Brown, Chas. A. L.  
 Brown, Chas. H. C.  
 Brown, Francis  
 Brown, Frank M.  
 Brown, George B.  
 Brown, George L.  
 Brown, Horatio W.  
 Brown, Rev. Howard N.
- Brown, J. Coffin Jones  
 Brown, Joseph T., Jr.  
 Brown, Louis Francis  
 Brown, Moses T.  
 Bryant, Chas. M.  
 Burgess, Thomas H.  
 Burr, E. Waters  
 Burr, Isaac T.  
 Burr, Winthrop M.  
 \*Burrage, A. A.  
 Burrage, Charles H.  
 Burrage, Edgar  
 Burrage, Edward C.  
 Burrage, Herbert E.  
 \*Burrage, J. C.  
 Burrage, Walter L.  
 \*Bush, Francis, Jr.  
 Bush, Rev. S. W.  
 Byrne, Samuel J.  
 Cabot, Samuel, M.D.  
 Cades, Wm. H.  
 Call, A. A.  
 Call, Edward P.  
 Callender, Ed. B.  
 \*Callender, George  
 \*Callender, Henry  
 Champion, Delmar S.  
 Candler, John W.  
 Capen, Chas. L.  
 Carpenter, Frederick B.  
 Carpenter, George N.  
 Carpenter, George O.  
 Carpenter, Rev. H. B.  
 Carruth, H. S.  
 Carver, Geo. H.  
 \*Cary, Thomas G.  
 Caverly, R. Fenno  
 Center, Francis P.  
 \*Chadwick, Ebenezer  
 Chaffin, Rev. W. L.  
 Challis, John  
 Chamberlin, E. D.  
 Chamberlain, F. H.  
 Champney, Wm. Loring  
 Chandler, Parker C.  
 Chaney, Rev. Geo. L.  
 Chapin, Ed. D.  
 Chapin, N. G.  
 \*Cheney, Arthur
- \*Child, Dudley R.  
 Child, Dudley R., Jr.  
 \*Choate, Charles  
 Church, Ed. A.  
 Claflin, Arthur  
 Claflin, Chas. H.  
 Claflin, Henry  
 Claflin, Wm. H.  
 Clapp, C. M.  
 Clapp, Wm. H.  
 Clapp, W. W.  
 \*Clark, D. Oakes  
 Clark, E. S.  
 Clark, Frederic S.  
 Clark, John M.  
 \*Clark, John T.  
 Clark, Joseph W.  
 Clark, Lyman J.  
 Clark, Nathan  
 Clarke, Charles Atherton  
 Clarke, George L.  
 Clarke, Henry M.  
 Clarke, Henry M., Jr.  
 Clarke, Rev. J. F., D.D.  
 Clarke, W. B.  
 Cleaves, Emery  
 Close, Edgar H.  
 Cobb, Samuel C.  
 Codman, Charles R.  
 Coffin, George  
 Coffin, Rufus  
 \*Coffin, W. A.  
 Coffin, Wm. E.  
 \*Colby, Samuel K.  
 Cole, Edward E.  
 Coleman, Geo. W.  
 Coleman, Lewis  
 Collier, Rev. H. Price  
 Collyer, Rev. Robert  
 Cotton, Wm. C.  
 Conant, Theo. S.  
 Converse, Benjamin B.  
 Converse, Frank B.  
 Converse, Herbert B.  
 Coolidge, Archibald Cary  
 Coolidge, Charles A.  
 Coolidge, David H., Jr.  
 Coolidge, Frederic S.  
 Coolidge, George A.  
 Coolidge, Rev. Jas. I. T.

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| Coolidge, John G.          | Davis, Charles E.          | Downer, Roswell C.      |
| Coolidge, John T., Jr.     | Davis, J. Alba             | *Downer, Samuel         |
| *Coolidge, Joseph          | Davy, Joseph Winsor        | Downes, Geo. E.         |
| Coolidge, J. Randolph      | Dawes, Geo. G.             | Drake, Charles W.       |
| Coolidge, J. Randolph, Jr. | Deblois, N. James          | Draper, Shirley Potter  |
| Coombs, Chas. A.           | Deblois, Stephen G.        | *Drew, E. C.            |
| Copenhagen, John H.        | De Cordova, Julian         | Dudley, E. G.           |
| Corbett, John M.           | Deland, Lorin F.           | Dugan, Walter H.        |
| Corey, Harry D.            | Delong, Edwin R.           | Dunbar, Alfred T.       |
| *Cory, Barney              | Demmon, R. E.              | Dunbar, Charles C.      |
| Cory, Charles B.           | Dennison, Chas. T.         | Dunbar, John D.         |
| Cotting, Amos              | Dennison, Henry B.         | Dupee, Cyrus            |
| Cotting, C. U.             | Denny, Clarence Bigelow    | Dykes, W. P.            |
| Cotting, Frank Joy         | Denny, Clarence H.         |                         |
| Covell, Robert S.          | Denny, Daniel              | Eager, Geo. H.          |
| Cowdin, John               | Denny, Daniel, Jr.         | Eastman, Geo. A.        |
| Cowing, W. H.              | Denny, Henry G.            | *Eaton, Joseph B.       |
| Crane, Geo. F.             | Denny, John W.             | *Eaton, William         |
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 Sturtevant, Chas. F.  
 \*Sumner, Austin  
 Swan, Arthur R.  
 Swan, Charles H.  
 Swan, Walter S.  
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 Sweetser, John  
 Sylvester, George B.  
 Taft, L. Herbert  
 Taggard, B. W.  
 Taggard, Henry  
 Talbot, G. Washington  
 Talbot, Thos.  
 Talbot, Thos., Jr.  
 Tapley, A. P.  
 Tapley, Henry Fuller  
 Tay, Wm. H.  
 Taylor, Fred. S.  
 Taylor, George W.  
 \*Taylor, Isaac  
 \*Taylor, John  
 \*Taylor, W., Jr.  
 \*Taylor, W. O.  
 Teele, J. O.  
 Tewksbury, F. E.  
 Thacher, Charles A.  
 Thacher, George  
 Thacher, Geo. W.  
 \*Thacher, Isaac  
 \*Thaxter, A. W., Jr.  
 Thayer, Bayard  
 Thayer, Charles E.  
 Thayer, Charles I.  
 \*Thayer, Rev. Chris. T.  
 Thayer, Edward K.  
 Thayer, E. V. R.  
 Thayer, Frank B.  
 Thayer, Rev. Geo. A.  
 Thayer, John E.  
 \*Thayer, John Eliot  
 \*Thayer, Joseph H.  
 \*Thayer, Nathaniel  
 Thayer, Nathaniel  
 Thayer, N. N.  
 \*Thayer, S. V. R.  
 Thomas, J. B.  
 Thomas, Jas. F.  
 Thomson, James D.  
 \*Thorndike, John H.  
 Thurston, W. A.  
 Tilden, A. K.  
 Tilden, Geo.  
 Tilden, Rev. Wm. P.  
 Tileston, James C.  
 Tillinghast, C. B.  
 Tinkham, Geo. H.  
 \*Tolman, James  
 Tolman, James P.  
 Torrey, Charles  
 Torrey, Charles Everett  
 Torrey, Harry Bowen  
 Torrey, James M.  
 Totman, Stark  
 Tourtellot, Samuel M.  
 Tower, Aug. Clifford  
 Tower, R. S.  
 Tower, W. A.  
 Townsend, B. B.  
 Townsend, E. B.  
 Tripp, Pelatiah R.  
 Tuck, Henry, M.D.  
 Tucker, Alanson  
 Tucker, Geo. R.  
 Tucker, W. W.  
 Tuckerman, C. S.  
 Tufts, James W.  
 Turner, B. S.  
 Turner, Job A.  
 \*Tuttle, Henry H.



- Tuttle, J. H.  
 Tuttle, T. E.  
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 Tyler, Thomas H.  
  
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 Upham, James H.  
 \*Upton, Geo. B.  
  
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 Vila, Joseph  
  
 \*Wade, Reuben S.  
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 Wadsworth, Alex  
 Wakefield, Cyrus  
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 \*Wales, Thomas B.  
 Walker, Frederick Clinton  
 Walker, G. P. K.  
 Ward, George C.  
 Ward, George L.  
 Ward, Reginald H.  
 Ward, S. E.  
 Ware, Arthur L.  
 Ware, Chas. E., M.D.  
 \*Ware, Rev. J. F. W.  
 Ware, Rev. Loammi G.  
 \*Warren, Alfred B.  
 \*Warren, Edward, M.D.  
 Warren, George W.  
 Warren, Wm. Wilkins  
 Washburn, Geo. W.  
 \*Washburn, Miles  
 Waters, G. F.  
 \*Waterston, Robert  
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 Watson, F. L.  
 Watson, Thos. A.  
 Webber, Fred W.  
 Webster, Franklin A.  
 Weeks, Allen S.  
 Weeks, James H.  
 Weld, Rev. Chas. R.  
 Weld, Otis E.  
 \*Weld, William F.  
 Wellington, Cornelius  
 Wellington, E. S.  
 Wellington, Henry W.  
 Wellington, W. A.  
  
 Wells, Henry B.  
 Wells, Samuel  
 Wendall, Wm. Floyd  
 Wendte, Rev. C. W.  
 Wentworth, Henry A.  
 Wentworth, Samuel  
 Wesson, James L.  
 Weston, H. C.  
 Weston, Justus P.  
 \*Weston R. W.  
 Wetherbee, J. Otis  
 Wetherbee, Winthrop  
 Wetherell, Chas. B.  
 Wetherell, George H.  
 Wetherell, John G.  
 Wheatland, George, Jr.  
 Wheeler, A. S.  
 Wheeler, Chas.  
 Wheeler, Rev. C. H.  
 Wheeler, Frank Allen  
 Wheelwright, John W.  
 Wheldon, Wm. G.  
 Whitcomb, Henry C.  
 Whitcomb, Henry F.  
 Whitcomb, William Fred.  
 \*Whitcomb, William H.  
 White, Benjamin C.  
 White, Chas. G.  
 White, F. B.  
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 Whiting, A. T.  
 Whiting, Harold  
 \*Whiting, William  
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 Whitman, Henry  
 Whitman, Jas. H.  
 \*Whitney, Geo. D.  
 \*Whitney, Joseph  
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 Whitney, Theo. D.  
 \*Whitney, W. S.  
 Whiton, David  
 Whiton, Ezra J.  
 \*Whiton, L. C.  
 Whiton, Morris F.  
 Whitten, Charles V.  
 Whittier, Charles  
 \*Wigglesworth, Edward  
 Wigglesworth, Ed., M.D.  
 Wigglesworth, George  
 Wigglesworth, S. N.  
  
 Wightman, L. H.  
 Wilbur, C. A.  
 Wilbur, G. B.  
 \*Wilkins, Daniel G.  
 Willard, Charles S.  
 Willard, E. W.  
 Williams, David W.  
 Williams, Edward H.  
 Williams, F. D.  
 Williams, F. S.  
 Williams, Geo. B.  
 Williams, Henry Bigelow  
 Williams, John D.  
 Williams, John T.  
 Williams, R. B.  
 Williams, Samuel S. C.  
 \*Williams, Thomas B.  
 Williams, W. B.  
 Willis, Clement  
 Wilmarth, H. D.  
 Wilson, Edward B.  
 Wilson, John  
 Winder, John White  
 Winkelman, Frederick  
 Winkley, Hobart W.  
 Winkley, Rev. S. H.  
 Winship, J. P. C. [son  
 Winslow, Andrew Nicker-  
 Winslow, Frederic Bradlee  
 Winslow, Geo. H.  
 Winslow, Roland  
 Winsor, F. H.  
 Winsor, Joseph  
 Wolcott, J. Huntington  
 Woodman, Arthur L.  
 Woodman, George F.  
 \*Woodman, J. Gilbert  
 Woods, Edwin H.  
 Woods, Henry T.  
 Woodward, Charles C.  
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 Worcester, William L.  
 Wright, John Seward  
 Wright, Philip Green  
 Wright, Walter Channing  
 Wyman, George H.  
 Wyman, Howard

THE following are the names of Life Members who have died during the year ending March 31, 1884:—

|                                    |                                     |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Charles B. Hall, May 8, 1883.      | William H. Studley, Nov. 9, 1883.   |
| Dudley R. Child, May 12, 1883.     | Thomas Howe, Nov. 9, 1883.          |
| George K. Hooper, June 11, 1883.   | Rev. W. H. Cudworth, Nov. 29, 1883. |
| John Edward Boehr, July 1, 1883.   | George R. Minot, Dec. 4, 1883.      |
| P. F. Ferris, July 5, 1883.        | Aaron D. Hubbard, Dec. 7, 1883.     |
| Henry H. Tuttle, July 19, 1883.    | Clark D. Oakes, Dec. 13, 1883.      |
| Francis J. Humphrey, Aug. 9, 1883. | Maurice Goddard, Jan. 20, 1884.     |
| S. P. Shepard, Aug. 17, 1883.      | Jonathan Ellis, Jan. 26, 1884.      |
| Julius A. Heuser, Sept. 19, 1883.  | William E. Allen, Feb. 1, 1884.     |
| Alanson Bigelow, Feb. 29, 1884.    |                                     |

## SUBSCRIPTION MEMBERS.

THE figures in parentheses represent the number of subscriptions of five dollars each paid. The payment of the fifth subscription constitutes a Life Membership, and the name of any member making such payment will be found in the Life Membership List.

|                        |                               |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Bailey, John L. (1)    | Hosford, E. T. (3)            |
| Bates, W. C. (3)       | Kempton, G. (2)               |
| Bradlee, Samuel (2)    | Knapp, Edgar L. (1)           |
| Brooks, I. H. (2)      | Lothrop, Rev. S. K., D.D. (3) |
| Bush, J. Foster (1)    | McCulloch, I. M. (1)          |
| Daniell, R. N. (4)     | Merris, W. E. (3)             |
| Draper, Charles H. (2) | Nichols, W. R. (1)            |
| Dresser, Jacob A. (2)  | Phillips, C. F. (1)           |
| Ford, J. (3)           | Plimpton, Charles H. (3)      |
| Franklin, H. A. (1)    | Reed, Arthur (1)              |
| Goodspeed, J. H. (2)   | Raddin, E. W. (2)             |
| Graham, Douglas (3)    | Wallace, L. (4)               |
| Hatch, B. H. (1)       | Wilkinson, I. W. (2)          |
| Hill, J. E. R. (1)     | Whittier, C. D. (2)           |

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ELECTED APRIL 11, 1883.

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FOR 1883-84.

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|------------------------|---------------------|
| RICHARD L. HARPER, JR. | FRANK L. LOCKE.     |
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|                       |                      |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
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*Committee of the Board of Government for Christmas and  
New Year's Festivals.*

|                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
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REPORTS  
OF THE  
Committees of the Board of Government.

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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

AS IN previous years, the Finance Committee present their annual report of the year, closing with March 31st, with feelings of satisfaction and pleasure, enabled as they are to state that the financial matters of the Union have been, throughout the year, in a healthy condition.

Through the continued kindness of friends of the Union, who have made donations for the "General Purposes" of the society, we have been enabled, as heretofore, successfully to carry on the increasing work in its various departments,—religious, moral, social, physical,—and always to attend promptly to the payment of all bills due from the Union.

The "Book of Donors" has been presented by the Chairman of the Finance Committee to ladies, gentlemen, and business firms, who have most kindly and cheerfully responded.

The Committee would express their thanks and gratitude to all friends who have thus favored the Union with their donations, and would also express their appreciation of the kind spirit and interest shown



in its welfare and success which has accompanied these material gifts.

During the year, many friends of the Union have also *called in person* or *forwarded amounts*, by mail or otherwise, to W. H. Baldwin, President (Chairman of the Finance Committee), at his office in the Union Building, 18 Boylston Street.

Should any friends be prompted at any time during the year *to enclose donations for the "General Purposes"* of the Union, we assure them their kindness will be fully appreciated.

All sums received will be entered in the "Book of Donors," and receipts sent by mail or given at the time.

The Committee present the following financial statement made by the Treasurer, Wm. L. Richardson :—

*Dr.* BOSTON YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION *in Account with* WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, *Treasurer.* *( Cr.*

| RECEIPTS.  |                   | DISBURSEMENTS.                                     |                    |
|--|-------------------|--|--------------------|
| Balance on hand, March 31, 1883:—                              |                   |  |                    |
| Christmas Festival, . . . . .                                  | \$185.88          | Advertising, . . . . .                             | \$143.25           |
| Rides for Invalids, . . . . .                                  | 441.79            | Benevolent Action, . . . . .                       | 302.24             |
| Country Week, . . . . .  | 140.98            | Lectures, Classes, and Entertainments, . . . . .   | -2,703.88          |
| General Purposes, . . . . .                                    | 658.70            | Gymnasium, . . . . .                               | 4,159.45           |
|  | <u>\$1,427.35</u> | Library, Reading Room, and Study, . . . . .        | 1,230.43           |
|  |                   | Expenses of Committee on Members, . . . . .        | 87.80              |
| Donations, . . . . .   | \$11,823.50       | Public Worship, . . . . .                          | 603.17             |
| Life Membership, . . . . .                                     | 1,175.00          | Printing, . . . . .                                | 471.95             |
| Membership Tickets, . . . . .                                  | 3,533.00          | Stationery, . . . . .                              | 61.65              |
| Gymnasium Tickets, . . . . .                                   | 5,426.22          | Postage, . . . . .                                 | 381.70             |
| Rent of Halls, Rooms, etc., . . . . .                          | 1,600.02          | Salaries, extra labor, collection, etc., . . . . . | 9,568.79           |
| Receipts for gas, heating, water, etc., . . . . .              | 958.74            | Amount expended on Trustees' account, . . . . .    | 1,056.93           |
| Fines on Library Books, . . . . .                              | 175.50            | Sundries, . . . . .                                | 215.85             |
| Legacy from Lewis G. Pray for the Library, . . . . .           | 500.00            | <i>Expenses of Room Committee:—</i>                |                    |
| Benevolent Action, . . . . .                                   | 45.00             | Fitting, repairs, furniture, etc., . . . . .       | \$2,313.22         |
| Trustees on account of money expended, . . . . .               | 957.93            | Gas, fuel, water, ice, . . . . .                   | 4,140.23           |
| Lectures, Classes, and Entertainments, . . . . .               | 1,344.10          | <i>Expenses of Special Committees:—</i>            |                    |
| <i>Special Donations:—</i>                                     |                   | Christmas and New Year's Festival, \$1,104.69      |                    |
| Christmas and New Year's Festival for Poor Children, . . . . . | \$1,205.33        | Rides for Invalids, . . . . .                      | 1,399.52           |
| Rides for Invalids, . . . . .                                  | 999.50            | Country Week, . . . . .                            | 9,002.18           |
| Country Week, . . . . .  | 9,313.72          | Total disbursements, . . . . .                     | <u>11,506.39</u>   |
| Total receipts, . . . . .                                      | <u>39,147.56</u>  | Balance on hand March 31, 1884:—                   |                    |
|  |                   | Christmas Festival, . . . . .                      | \$286.52           |
|  |                   | Rides for Invalids, . . . . .                      | 41.77              |
|  |                   | Country Week, . . . . .                            | 452.52             |
|  |                   | General Purposes, . . . . .                        | 847.17             |
|  |                   |  | <u>1,627.98</u>    |
|  |                   |  | <u>\$40,574.91</u> |

As in previous years, the donations received for the Christmas and New Year's Festival for poor children exceeded the immediate expenses of the Festival. The balance was expended by the Special Committee on the Festival under the direction of the Ladies' Committee, for the relief of those poor women and children who had been found to be especially deserving.

Among the expenses of the Committee on Lectures, Classes, and Entertainments, is included the amount paid for the use of the Music Hall for the Anniversary. The expenses of the Thanksgiving Dinner, and the special donations received for the same, are placed in the account of the Committee on Benevolent Action.

WM. L. RICHARDSON, *Treasurer*.

WM. H. BALDWIN.

H. H. SPRAGUE.

## LECTURES, CLASSES, AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

It is the object of the Union to offer, through its Committee in this branch of its work, a series of lectures and talks on the most important of the leading topics of the day, for the benefit of those of its members seeking general information; also, a course of efficient instruction in classes for those whose occupations are such as to prevent their attending day schools; and, lastly, a series of elevating and amusing entertainments for those for whom the Rooms of the Union take the place of the music room, library, and living room of private houses. The Committee feel that during the past winter these objects have been attained.

On the part of the members there has been a ready response to the privileges offered them. The class rooms have been crowded to their utmost capacity; and the demand for tickets and cards to the lectures, talks, and entertainments, has always exceeded the supply.

The amount and variety of the work accomplished in this department of the work of the Union during the year past is shown in the following list:—

Nineteen classes, with a total membership of six hundred and thirty-eight. Eight classes (second series). Nine Practical Talks; five Literary Lectures; four Literary Lectures (second series); five Emergency Lectures; five Talks on Banking; four Talks on the Proper Use of the English Language; nine Concerts; six Entertainments of Readings and Vocal and Instrumental Music; six Dramatic Entertainments; three Operettas; five Social Entertainments; one Illustrated Lecture on Sweden; one Illustrated Lecture (Martin Luther); Reading of "Christmas



Carol" (Dickens'); one Lecture on Amusements; one Illustrated Lecture, "Arabian Night's Entertainment"; Anniversary Meeting (at the Music Hall); Thanksgiving Dinner.

A comparison with the lists of last year will show a large increase in all of the branches of this work; and, of course, the efforts of the Committee have been greater, and the aid of a larger number of individuals has, of course, been required to accomplish this increase.

But, notwithstanding this, the work has never been done to the greater satisfaction of the Committee; and the causes of this increased facility are such as are a source of great gratification to them. The greater the amount of work undertaken, and the higher the standard attained, the greater seems the number of ready and competent helpers who are found to assist in it.

CLASSES.—Beginning in November, classes have been held during the winter in the following branches of study:—

|                        |                                  |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Vocal Music,        | taught by Mr. H. E. Holt.        |
| 2. Book-keeping,       | " " Mr. J. S. Parsons.           |
| 3. " "                 | " " Mr. Addison W. Jones.        |
| 4. " "                 | " " Paul J. Coolidge.            |
| 5. Penmanship,         | " " A. T. Whittemore.            |
| 6. " "                 | " " A. T. Whittemore.            |
| 7. " "                 | " " A. T. Whittemore.            |
| 8. Elementary German,  | " " Berlitz School of Languages. |
| 9. " "                 | " " Mr. H. P. Place.             |
| 10. Advanced German,   | " " Berlitz School of Languages. |
| 11. Elementary French, | " " Herr Jacob Lehman.           |
| 12. " "                | " " Berlitz School of Languages. |
| 13. " "                | " " Berlitz School of Languages. |

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|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 14. Spanish,               | taught by Señor Joaquín M. Torroja. |
| 15. Elocution,             | " " Prof. Charles Bickford.         |
| 16. Commercial Arithmetic, | " " Mr. John Vaughn.                |
| 17. Phonography,           | " " Mr. H. H. Grant.                |
| 18. Drawing-class,         | " " Mr. W. A. J. Claus.             |
| 19. " "                    | " " Mr. W. A. J. Claus.             |

A total of 19 classes, with a total membership of 638 pupils.

In the following table is shown the number of lessons given, the number of scholars, and also the average of attendance in those classes in which a record of attendance was kept:—

|                                  | <i>No. of<br/>Lessons.</i> | <i>No. of<br/>Scholars.</i> | <i>Average<br/>Attendance.</i> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Vocal Music, . . . . .           | 12                         | 112                         |                                |
| Book-keeping (1), . . . . .      | 12                         | 27                          | 22.                            |
| " (2), . . . . .                 | 12                         | 22                          | 17.                            |
| " (3), . . . . .                 | 12                         | 22                          | 17.                            |
| Penmanship (1), . . . . .        | 12                         | 32                          | 29.                            |
| " (2), . . . . .                 | 12                         | 27                          | 24.                            |
| " (3), . . . . .                 | 12                         | 24                          | 20.                            |
| Elementary German (1), . . . . . | 12                         | 21                          | 14.                            |
| " " (2), . . . . .               | 12                         | 23                          | 17.                            |
| Advanced German, . . . . .       | 12                         | 27                          | 19.                            |
| Elementary French (1), . . . . . | 12                         | 28                          | 21.                            |
| " " (2), . . . . .               | 12                         | 23                          | 20.                            |
| Advanced French, . . . . .       | 12                         | 19                          | 15.                            |
| Spanish, . . . . .               | 12                         | 33                          | 21.                            |
| Elocution, . . . . .             | 12                         | 79                          | 60.                            |
| Commercial Arithmetic, . . . . . | 12                         | 22                          | 17.                            |
| Phonography, . . . . .           | 12                         | 40                          | 32.                            |
| Drawing (1), . . . . .           | 12                         | 27                          | 18.                            |
| " (2), . . . . .                 | 12                         | 30                          | 14.                            |

At the conclusion of the above courses, supplementary classes were formed by the following teachers in their respective studies:—

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| Penmanship,        | A. T. Whittemore.            |
| Elocution,         | Prof. Charles Bickford.      |
| Advanced French,   | Berlitz School of Languages. |
| Elementary German, | H. P. Place.                 |
| Phonography,       | H. H. Grant.                 |
| Drawing,           | W. A. J. Claus.              |
| Elementary French, | Jacob Lehman.                |
| Advanced German,   | Berlitz School of Languages. |

It is the belief of the Committee that the instruction during the past year has been of a higher grade than ever before. And the improvement has been in the departments where they are most gratified to see it; namely, in the Penmanship and Book-keeping Classes, which they feel to be of great importance to us in our line of work. As heretofore, the classes were open free to all the members of the Union, except the class in Vocal Music, to which a charge of one dollar was made to cover extra expenses. Ladies, introduced by members, were admitted to the classes in French, German, Elocution, and Vocal Music, on the payment of one dollar each. Also the usual plan for promoting regularity of attendance by requiring a deposit of one dollar from each member of the class, ten cents of which is deducted for each unexcused absence, has been adhered to, and is found to work with success. In the Sketching Class, a deposit is not made; but each pupil is required to pay for material used and the proportional part of the cost of the copies used.

The new class-rooms, which the addition to the building has given us, have proved all and more than we had anticipated as aids to our educational work.

The large number of rooms has enabled us to arrange the classes so that the members could take the different branches on different nights, while the size and commodiousness of the rooms have had a very perceptible effect on the general tone of the classes.

It was remarked by those of our teachers who were familiar with the former class-rooms that the work this season was lighter for both teachers and pupils, owing, doubtless, to better light, air, and space.

The rooms allotted to the Book-keeping and Writing Classes are perfectly adapted to their use.

The classes in Drawing were particularly interesting

and successful. The course of instruction was the same as that pursued at the Art Museum School. The class was provided by the Union with easels and drawing boards of the most approved pattern; and the large, well-lighted room, full of the students with their work before them, was a most interesting sight.

The exhibition of the drawings at the close of the lessons showed that good, thorough work had been accomplished.

Norcross Hall has proved a great help to this Committee as affording proper accommodation to the courses of Talks and Lectures which, in our former rooms, were always overcrowded.

The Singing Class held in Norcross Hall was under the charge of Mr. H. E. Holt, who taught the class by the same method which he employs with success in the Public Schools.

PRACTICAL TALKS.—The twelfth annual series of Practical Talks was held in The Union Hall on successive Saturday evenings, beginning January 5.

This interesting series of meetings were nine in number, the tenth, which was to have been given by the Hon. William Parsons, having been omitted, owing to the unavoidable absence of Mr. Parsons.

The subjects treated were of great variety and interest, and were fully illustrated by chemical experiments, stereopticon views, and paintings. The public, both ladies and gentlemen, were invited, in conformity with the practice of previous years.

The following is the list of subjects and speakers:—

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- Jan. 5. Arthur B. Morrill, of Portland, Maine: "Electricity."  
Fully illustrated with experiments involving the Telegraph, Telephone, Fire-Alarm System, Call-Bells, Electric Engine, etc.



- Jan. 12. Henry Blackburn, of London: "Pictures of the Year. A Personal Review of Modern Art and Artists." Illustrated by pictures from the Royal Academy, Grosvenor Gallery, Paris Salon, etc., shown by the stereopticon.
- Jan. 19. Frank A. Hill: "New England Primer Days." Illustrated. Charcoal sketches.
- Jan. 26. Prof. James F. Babcock: "Pen, Ink, and Paper." A history of Writing and Writing Materials in all ages. Illustrated by the stereopticon.
- Feb. 2. Francis A. Walker, President Massachusetts Institute of Technology: "Savings Banks."
- Feb. 9. Rev. E. C. Bolles, of Salem: "Round about London." Illustrated by the stereopticon.
- Feb. 16. Arthur B. Morrill: "The Steam Engine, its Growth and Essential Parts." Illustrated with experiments and diagrams.
- Feb. 23. George Parsons Gilman: "Among the Alps." Illustrated by the stereopticon.
- Mar. 1. Ernest Edwards: "Photography applied to Printing." Illustrated.

The Practical Talks are highly valued by the members of the Union; and the series of the winter past has shown the same care and research in the work of preparation, and has had the same interested and full attendance as in the courses of previous years.

LITERARY LECTURES.—One of the interesting features of the winter's work has been the course of five Literary Lectures by the Rev. Reuben Thomas in Norcross Hall on Tuesday evenings, beginning March 4, to which the members of the Union, with their lady friends, were invited.

The Committee have been highly gratified at the large and interested attendance at these Lectures, which, being of a special nature and of a high order, have shown us, by their undoubted success, that our members are alive to the questions and influences of

the day both here and in our mother country. Subjoined is a list showing the character and scope of the subjects treated by Mr. Thomas : —

Mar. 4. "Gladstone and his Influence."

Mar. 11. "John Bright and his Influence."

Mar. 18. "Tennyson."

Mar. 25. "George Eliot."

Apr. 1. "Ruskin "

The success of the first course of Literary Lectures was so great that the Committee have made arrangements for a supplementary course of four lectures to be given by different individuals, as shown in the subjoined list: —

Apr. 8. Hon. John C. Ropes : "The First Napoleon."

Apr. 15 Col. Homer B. Sprague : "Shakspeare's Youth."

Apr. 22. Rev. H. Bernard Carpenter : "Oliver Goldsmith."

Apr. 29. Hon. Charles L. Flint : "Socrates."

EMERGENCY LECTURES.—Beginning February 15, a series of five Emergency Lectures was given, on succeeding Friday evenings, in the Norcross Hall, to which all the members of the Union and all gentlemen interested were invited.

The "Emergency Lectures" followed the methods of the "St. John's Ambulance Association" in England, and of the "First Aid to the Injured" in New York.

The attendance on the lectures was very large; and, at the conclusion of the course, an examination was held of all those who had attended the full course, who wished to take part.

The examination was made by Dr. F. B. Harrington, who stated in his report that "the class did excellent work."

The young men who successfully passed the examination were invited to the Union Parlor and pre-

sented with the Diploma issued by the Women's Education Association, with the "Emblem of the Red-Cross" of the American Association at Washington.

The following is a list of lecturers who so kindly contributed their valuable aid, with the subject treated by each:—

- Feb. 15. Dr. Francis Minot: "Hygiene."
- Feb. 22. Dr. F. H. Lombard: "Extemporaneous Means of Arresting Hemorrhage, Bandaging, Dressing Wounds."
- Feb. 29. Dr. David W. Cheever: "Treatment of apparently Drowned, Burns, Application of Splints."
- Mar. 7. Dr. F. H. Lombard: "Lifting and Moving the Sick, Sprains, Bandaging."
- Mar. 14. Dr. William L. Richardson: "First Aid to Sufferers from Shock, Collapse, Heat-stroke, Apoplexy, Epilepsy, Fainting, Poisons."

TALKS ON BANKING.—The series of Talks on Banking held during this season has had the same excellent success that has marked the previous courses.

Mr. C. B. Patten, Cashier of the State National Bank, was again the lecturer; and the Norcross Hall was well filled on each occasion to listen to the lectures, which abounded in valuable practical information, and were enlivened by reminiscences and incidents intended to throw light on the general subject under treatment. The Talks were held on Thursday evenings, and were five in number, beginning February 28. The subjoined list shows the nature and order of the subjects treated:—

- Feb. 28. Bank Teller's Duties.—Identification of payees, forgeries, handwriting expert testimony, keeping the run of balances, good and poor bank accounts, altered checks, Teller's cash, etc.
- Old State Banks, Suffolk Bank Foreign Money Department, bank bills, circulation, destruction of bills retired from circulation.

- Mar. 6. How National Banks extend their Charters. National Bank Bills.—Methods of obtaining, how manufactured, signing, status, profits of circulation, redemption, legal tenders, amount in circulation.  
Sterling Exchange.—Full explanations of operations in the same, Bank of England, the hard and the paper money of England, consols, etc.
- Mar. 13. The Bank Messenger.—His work and duties explained, presentment of drafts, notices, etc.; reminiscences of old-time bank messengers, etc.  
Collection Clerk.—Laws and customs relative to promissory notes, drafts, acceptances, checks, etc.  
Discount Clerk.—His methods.
- Mar. 20. Book-keeper.—Character of his work; modern changes in bank book-keeping.  
Dividend and Transfer Laws.—Recent changes, dividends, methods of payment.
- Mar. 27. Bank Cashiers.—Duties as described by the revised statutes of the United States; every-day work; telegraphic transfers of money; returns; bank deposits; over-drafts, unclaimed deposits and dividends; special bank deposits; Safe Deposit Companies, Clearing House; old and new methods of bank settlement; detection of counterfeit money; redemption of mutilated bills; bank locks, safes (burglar proof), vaults, old and new styles of each; fire-proof safes; bank defalcations; examination of banks by Directors; by National Bank Examiners; old and new systems of banking compared; the mechanism of banking.

“PRACTICAL TALKS ON THE PROPER USE OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE.”—A series of four talks on the proper use of the English Language has been arranged to take place in Norcross Hall on Thursday evenings, beginning April 3.

The lecturer will be Mr. John Storer Cobb from the London University, and the members of the Union and all ladies and gentlemen interested are invited to attend.

Much interest is shown in the subject, so that the



Committee feel that the course, which is in the line of special cultivation, will be of much use to the members.

The following list gives the heads to be treated :—

1884.

- Apr. 3. "The Key to Success." Merit of object sought. Independence of Mind. Accuracy of Thought. Rectitude of Conduct. Earnestness of Pursuit. Self-Government. Virtue. Integrity. Probity, etc.
- Apr. 10. "The Use and Abuse of Language." Purity of Expression. Terseness of Construction. Clearness of Diction. Simplicity of Statement. Responsibility for the Abuse of Language. Moral Character as evidenced by Language, etc. Illustrations of Styles.
- Apr. 17. "The Method of Studying Language." Its Laws, Literature, and History. Thoughts precede Expression. Literature precedes Grammar. The Great Purpose of Education.
- Apr. 24. "The Past, Present, and Future of the English Language." Its Origin, Progress, and Present Development. Its Characteristics of Utility. Its Destiny. Illustrations from Authors of Different Periods.

ENTERTAINMENTS.— This portion of the work of this Committee attracts much of the attention and patronage of the members, and no portion calls forth the amount of care and effort on the part of the Committee.

To arrange weekly for an entertainment which shall be elevating, light, and cheering in tone, while nothing demoralizing in any degree is allowed to creep in, demands constant attention and watchfulness.

The character of the Music at the Concerts of the season past has been of the best. The plays produced at the Dramatic Entertainments have been unexceptional, and the acting of more than usual merit for Amateur Clubs. The three Operettas were brought out with great credit to those who managed them, and

promise a most attractive feature for future entertainments.

The new dressing-rooms and the addition to the stage have made the work of the entertainments much more agreeable than ever before; and the Committee no longer feel any uneasiness as to the comfort and convenience of those whom they ask to assist.

On each Wednesday evening, the Union Bulletin has been issued; and, in addition to the programme of the entertainments, the greatest care has been taken to announce in its columns all that is of importance to take place the following week in all departments, thus keeping before the members a complete schedule of the work of the Union. The entertainments have been in The Union Hall on Wednesday evenings, commencing in October, continuing to June. Tickets have been issued for the free admission of one member and lady to all except the dramatic entertainments. To these, a charge of fifteen cents, or two tickets for twenty-five cents, has been made, to cover necessary expenses.

During the season just passed, we have had the aid of upwards of three hundred and fifty persons in carrying out the entertainments alone.

To secure the gratuitous services of so large a number of persons would be, under most circumstances, a difficult and trying duty; but the cheerfulness and alacrity with which the invitations to assist have been accepted have shown that our helpers, though not with us as members of any Committee, are of us, in their spirit of good will and interest toward our Institution.

The Committee avail themselves of this opportunity to express their thanks for their services to the many ladies and gentlemen who have borne their part in the work of the entertainments, and their appreciation

both of the work done, but also of the kindly spirit in which it has been given.

Our thanks are also due to the different manufacturers of pianofortes and organs who have, from time to time, when needed to meet the wishes of various musicians, sent us their instruments, sometimes two at a time, and always with great cordiality.

We refer to the houses of Chickering & Sons, Henry F. Miller, Knabe & Co., and Mason & Hamlin.

ENTERTAINMENT and Members' Sociables' programmes : —

1883.

- Apr. 18. *Members' Sociable*. — Acting Pantomime, "The story of Prince Camaralzaman and Princess Badoura" (from the *Arabian Nights*), in three scenes; the American Marionettes, in a new and thrilling melodrama entitled "The Patriot Thief," a Tale of Gold; Comedietta by Sydney Grundy, "A Little Change"; Miss Sadie Renowden, soprano; Hartshorn's Orchestra.
- Apr. 25. Grand Concert by the Bay State Choral Society (sixty voices), assisted by Mrs. Edgar A. Buck, mezzo soprano: Madame Dietrich Strong, pianist; Mr. Edgar A. Buck, conductor; Mr. Lyman F. Brackett, organist; Mr. C. M. Campbell, accompanist.
- Apr. 28. Grand Concert by the Bay State Choral Society: Concert of April 25 repeated by request.
- May 2. Dramatic Entertainment, by "The Wallack Dramatic Club," "Time and the Hour"; Madame Dietrich Strong, pianist.
- May 9. Readings and Music: Prof. Charles Bickford, reader; Miss Sarah C. Fisher, soprano; Mr. Frank G. Reynolds, humorist; Mr. B. M. Davison, pianist.
- May 16. Concert of Piano Music, given by some of the advanced pupils of William H. Sherwood. Misses Reilly, Frushour, Frye, Edwards, Abrams, Proctor, Rider, Cragin, Messrs. Wade, Noyes, and Dewey took part, assisted by Mr. Chas. F. Webber, tenor; Mr. Herbert Harris, accompanist.



- May 23. Concert and Operetta, "The Barber of Bath": Miss Annie Leslie, soprano; Mr. Clifford Walker, tenor; Mr. Charles Mordaunt, bass; Mr. George L. Cheeney, tenor; Mr. T. Adamowski, violinist; Mr. Howard M. Dow, accompanist; Mr. James W. Cheeney, pianist and musical director.
- Oct. 24. Concert and Readings: Mrs. Jennette M. Noyes, contralto; Miss Sallie E. Bingham, soprano; Mr. Ferdinand Dewey, pianist; Mr. Herbert Harris, accompanist; Miss Fannie Worcester, reader.
- Oct. 31. Readings and Music: Mrs. Dora Bascom Smith, reader; Miss Gertrude Swain, soprano; Mrs. Henrietta Reed Paige, contralto; Mr. Albert F. Conant, pianist; Mrs. G. J. Rogers, accompanist.
- Nov. 7. Dramatic Entertainment: "Ebus Dramatic Club"; "Lend Me Five Shillings"; "Slasher and Crasher"; Madame Dietrich Strong, pianist.
- Nov. 14. Concert and Readings: Mrs. Hale Jacobs, contralto; Mr. Freeman Oliver, violinist; Mrs. H. E. Morey, pianist and accompanist; Miss Caroline Roach, reader.
- Nov. 21. Lecture by Alban Andr  n, a native of Gothenburg, Sweden: "Sweden by a Swede." Illustrated by the stereopticon.
- Dec. 5. Dramatic Entertainment and Readings: Comedietta, "The Little Treasure," by members of the Unity Literary Club; Mr. Geo. B. Ford, reader; Madame Dietrich Strong, pianist.
- Dec. 12. Readings and Music: Mrs. Abbie F. Hervey, soprano; Miss Rosabelle Frushour, pianist; Mr. Herbert Harris, accompanist; Mr. George Lyon, Jr., reader.
- Dec. 14. Lecture by Rev. Geo. H. Hosmer, of Salem. Subject, "Martin Luther." Illustrated with stereopticon.
- Dec. 19. *Members' Sociable*.—Miss Ina Dillon, soprano; Mr. J. P. Weston, accompanist; Ebus Dramatic Club; Harts-horn's Orchestra; "Atchi," a Comedietta in one act.
- Dec. 24. Reading, Dickens' "Christmas Carol," by Mr. E. Pome-roy Collier.
- Dec. 26. Christmas Concert: Mrs. Edgar A. Buck, mezzo soprano; Miss A. M. Crain, contralto; Mr. E. E. Holden, tenor; Mr. Thomas Ryan, baritone; Mr. W. H. Miller, pianist; Mr. Edgar A. Buck, bass.



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- Jan. 2. Dramatic Entertainment by the Lyceum Dramatic Club :  
 "Lady Audley's Secret," a drama; "A Morning Call," a Comedietta in one act; Madame Dietrich Strong, pianist.
- Jan. 9. Concert and Readings: Mrs. Z. R. Knowles, reader; Miss May E. Cates, contralto; Miss Lida J. Low, accompanist; Mr. J. E. Cates, xylophone; Mr. Albert L. Gardner, cornet; Mr. T. M. Barrows, accompanist.
- Jan. 16. Readings and Music: Mr. Hannibal A. Williams, elocutionist (Albany, N.Y.); Mrs. Agnes Giles Spring, contralto; Miss Florence M. Wilson, soprano; Mrs. Gertrude J. Rogers, pianist.
- Jan. 23. *Members' Sociable*.—Jeffries Club Minstrels; Hartshorn's Orchestra; Miss Millie G. Haines, mezzo soprano; Songs in the Parlors by Miss Haines; Games and Social Singing in the Parlors.
- Jan. 30. "The Berry Pickers," an Operetta in two acts: Libretto by W. H. Putnam; Music by E. H. Bailey.
- Feb. 6. Dramatic Entertainment by the Wallack Dramatic Company: "Time Tries All," Drama in two acts, "Two Bonnycastles," farce in one act; Madame Dietrich Strong, pianist.
- Feb. 13. Concert and Readings: Commonwealth Male Quartette in their Jubilee Songs; Mr. Frank Swift, soloist; Mr. Alphonso Demeritt, tenor; Mr. F. W. Plummer, baritone; Mr. George Lakin, basso; Mr. Frank W. Swift, bird imitator; Mr. Frank W. Plummer, harmonica soloist; Mr. George W. Lakin, reader; Miss Addie L. Nichols, reader.
- Feb. 20. *Members' Sociable*.—Lyceum Dramatic Company: Miss Alice Maud Gray, soprano; Miss Cora R. Burns, accompanist; Mr. Fred G. Stetson, xylophone; Hartshorn's Orchestra; Scenes from "Ingomar, the Barbarian"; the popular and charming Comedietta, "A Happy Pair."
- Feb. 27. The Boston Lyric Comedy Company: Mr. Frederic Peakes, Musical Director, in their new comic Operetta, entitled "Mistress and Maid, or All in a Fog," introducing popular music of the day.
- Mar. 5. Concert: Miss Louise N. Baldwin, soprano; Miss Sara H.

- Peakes, contralto ; Madame Dietrich Strong, pianist.  
 Hatton Male Quartette : Mr. C. S. Barker, first tenor ;  
 Mr. J. E. Dutton, second tenor ; Mr. W. P. Edwards,  
 first bass ; Mr. H. H. Eldridge, second bass.
- Mar. 12. Readings and Music: Miss Belle Cushman Eaton,  
 reader ; Mrs. Hattie T. Bates, soprano ; Miss Sadie  
 Simonton, violinist ; Mr. B. M. Davison, pianist.
- Mar. 19. *Members' Sociable*.—The Domestic Play, by Francis Tal-  
 fourd, "A Household Fairy" ; Miss Marie Denley,  
 soprano ; Miss Helen Martin, accompanist. Arion  
 Club: Alex. L. Hill, John D. Shepard, first tenors ;  
 James T. Cutler, Philip Greely, second tenors ; A. G.  
 Glover, William U. Swan, first bass ; T. A. Fox,  
 F. E. Shepard, second bass ; Mr. Underhill, accom-  
 panist ; Hartshorn's Orchestra.
- Mar. 26. Grand Concert: Mr. Calixa Lavallée, pianist ; Miss  
 Maud Nichols, soprano ; Mrs. Emma Kilay, con-  
 tralto ; Mrs. Florence C. Sherwood, harpist ; Mr.  
 E. F. Lafricain, cornetist ; Miss Mary J. Urich,  
 pianist ; Miss Helen M. Kelchner, pianist ; Mr.  
 T. Reeve Jones, pianist.
- Mar. 28. Lecture, by Mr. Henry A. Clapp. Subject, "Public  
 Amusements."
- Apr. 2. Dramatic Entertainment: Wallack Dramatic Company,  
 "For Love or Money" ; Madame Dietrich Strong,  
 pianist.
- Apr. 5. Lecture, by Mr. Edward L. Wilson, of Philadelphia.  
 Subject, "An Arabian Night's Entertainment."  
 Illustrated by the stereopticon.

THANKSGIVING DINNER.—In accordance with its  
 usual custom, the Union extended an invitation to such  
 of its members as, by reason of distance or other  
 reasons, were unable to be with kindred or friends on  
 that day to partake of a Thanksgiving Dinner at the  
 Union Rooms.

The Committee made efforts that the arrangements  
 should be such that this time-honored New England  
 feast should be as cheerful and homelike as possible.  
 The tables were spread in The Union Hall, and were

largely supplied with the dishes which constitute the traditional Thanksgiving dinner; and the guests, to the number of two hundred and twenty-five, enjoyed the feast provided for them.

After-dinner speeches were made. First, one of welcome by the President, Mr. William H. Baldwin, followed by Rev. Phillips Brooks, Mr. H. P. Kidder, Mr. George N. Faight, Mr. Jno. H. Edwards, and Mr. Victor Alderson. After which, in response to the invitation of the President, many of the young men representing different States and nationalities made bright and pleasant speeches, taking occasion to express their appreciation of the Union's devotion to their welfare, and its homelike influence and attractions.

After the dinner and speeches, the company passed into the parlors and other parts of the building, the remainder of the day being passed in the various amusements and occupations which the Rooms offer.

Donations of food and materials were received from H. D. Parker & Co., Hall & Whipple, Tremont House, S. S. Pierce & Co., James Dooling, George Johnson, George A. Newell, John Capen, Jones, McDuffee & Stratton, Rice, Kendall & Co., Otis A. Ruggles, and Geo. H. Ellis.

For several years past, most of these gentlemen have contributed to this occasion, and always with the same freedom and alacrity.

The Committee of Arrangements consisted of Messrs. George N. Faight, R. L. Harper, Jr., William Morrison of the members, and W. H. Baldwin, W. L. Richardson, and W. F. Whitcomb of the Board of Government.

PUBLIC ANNIVERSARY MEETING.—The thirty-second anniversary of the society was celebrated by a public

meeting at Music Hall, Wednesday evening, May 30. Mr. William H. Baldwin, the President of the society, presided. Prayer was offered by the Rev. C. D. Hills. The President, Mr. Baldwin, made a short speech of welcome, and introduced the following gentlemen, who made addresses appropriate to the occasion,—Rev. O. N. Gifford, Rev. Brooke Herford, Rev. Leighton Parks, Rev. James Freeman Clarke, D.D.

The musical exercises were conducted by Mr. H. E. Holt, assisted by Mr. George Mendall Taylor, who presided at the organ. Messrs. Twombly & Son loaned a supply of potted plants to decorate the stage.

CALVIN G. HARTSHORN; *Chairman.*  
NATHANIEL BISHOP FARRAR.  
GEORGE PEIRCE.

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#### COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY.

During the past year, the Library has been under the care of Mr. Richard Ray, Jr.

The Library was closed for repairs April 18 to May 3 inclusive, and from May 25 to 27, while being prepared for the opening on May 28. It was also closed for the annual examination from June 15 to August 5, during which time the books were reclassified, examined, and arranged on the new shelves.

The following statistics show the general condition of the Library during the year :—

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| Number of volumes at the beginning of year, . . . | 6,333      |
| Added by donation, . . . . .                      | 315        |
| Added by purchase, . . . . .                      | 372        |
|   | <u>687</u> |
|   | 7,020      |
| Missing at annual examination, . . . . .          | 84         |
| Discarded, . . . . .                              | 51         |
|   | <u>135</u> |
| Number of volumes in Library at present time, . . | 6,885      |



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| Number of volumes rebound during the year, . . . . . | 324    |
| Issued for home reading, . . . . .                   | 16,731 |
| Charged (April 1, 1884) as out, . . . . .            | 724    |

In May, 1883, a valuable gift of two hundred and twenty-three volumes was received from Mr. Henry P. Kidder; and, during the year, a number of Public Documents have been added to the Library, through the kindness of Hon. A. A. Ranney.

The Reading Room receives regularly nineteen dailies (of which four are duplicated), fifty-six weeklies, twenty-four monthlies, and five quarterlies, making a total of one hundred and four periodicals.

The Study had, at the beginning of the year, two hundred and one volumes. Thirty volumes have been added, making a total of two hundred and thirty-one volumes.

During the year, a legacy of five hundred dollars has been received from the estate of the late Lewis G. Pray for the purchase of new books. The Committee, having decided to devote the money for the purchase of books of reference, have already bought and placed on the shelves a number of such volumes, which are only to be used in the Library, and are not intended for home reading.

WM. L. RICHARDSON, *Chairman.*

W. B. CLARKE.

CALVIN G. HARTSHORN.

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#### COMMITTEE ON ROOMS.

Since the last report, the enlargement of the Union building has been completed, and the available working space of the society has been increased by about one half. The extension of the building was formally opened May 28, 1883; and the members of the Union

and the public generally were then invited to inspect the new and enlarged rooms.

Four dwelling-houses in Boylston Square were purchased and torn down; and these lots were so well lighted in front and rear that the entire space could be built upon and used in connection with the original Union building.

The Library and Reading Room was enlarged so as to be about double its original size, being now one hundred and thirteen feet long and thirty-seven feet increasing to seventy feet in width. It enjoys, by its outlook upon Washington Street, a light as good as could be wished. A better lighted, better ventilated, and more cheerful and commodious Reading Room cannot be found in the city.

Like increase in capacity and improvement were made in the Gymnasium.

The stage of The Union Hall was much increased both in width and depth, and a large waiting-room and two excellent dressing-rooms were added upon the same floor and in immediate connection with the stage. The stage and waiting and dressing rooms are now so arranged that they can be detached and used apart from the other portions of the building, with the staircase leading to Boylston Square. For ordinary purposes, the stage is made to present a depth either of twelve feet or of twenty-one feet. For dramatic and like purposes, however, it has a depth of thirty-nine feet, a height of twenty-nine feet, and a width of thirty-six feet, with a clear width in the proscenium of twenty-one feet.

Another gain is a new and attractive hall with a capacity for seating two hundred and seventy-five persons, which can be used directly in connection with the other departments of the Union or with the indepen-

dent entrance in Boylston Square. This hall is admirably adapted to the smaller meetings and to lectures of an instructive character, and it affords most welcome facilities for carrying out the educational purposes of the society. The hall was named Norcross Hall in memory of the late Hon. Otis Norcross, who was from the beginning the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Permanent Fund, and was a constant and liberal friend of the Union.

The educational interests of the Union have been still further promoted by the addition of five large class rooms, which have been fitted up for the special use of classes. Several small rooms have also been gained for the various needs which are constantly arising.

Not only has the large stairway leading into Boylston Square afforded a much needed additional exit from The Union Hall and the portions of the building remote from the main entrance, but an independent staircase has been constructed, connecting the various class rooms with the Reception Room.

Notwithstanding so much space has been added,—sufficient, it was believed, to meet the growth for years to come,—the greatly increased attendance and the many new features of work have, during the busier season, tested the increased capacity, and demonstrated the wisdom of supplying the needs which have been felt, as well as justified the friends of the Union in giving so liberally of their means for this purpose.

The previously expressed determination to keep the Union free from the indebtedness which was extinguished by the generosity of the late Mr. Eaton and other friends, makes it unnecessary to add that the cost of the enlargement was entirely defrayed by the amounts contributed for the purpose.



Of the ordinary repairs and renewals, which are necessarily great in a building so large and so much frequented, the chief has been the redecorating, recarpeting, and refurnishing of the Sitting Room. It was sought to make the room more attractive and available for social purposes. The newspapers remaining were all removed to the Reading Room; and, in addition to the piano, were placed there a megalethoscope, books of pictures, photographs, and other objects of interest.

Several valuable gifts have been made to the Union for service in the Rooms, for which acknowledgment is due. An oil painting, now hanging in the Sitting Room, and some framed engravings were received from Mr. Henry P. Kidder; engravings of Longfellow, Holmes, Lowell, Emerson, Bryant, and Whittier from Messrs. Houghton, Mifflin & Co.; a megalethoscope and views from Mr. C. J. Morrill; a cast of the hand of President Lincoln from Mr. Charles A. Barry; several pictures from Mrs. Otis Norcross; and several heliotype prints from the Heliotype Publishing Co.

Mr. William Morrison has been continued in the general charge of the building, and in the supervision of this department as Curator. He has been assisted, as in the past year, by Mr. Herbert C. Bronsdon with the special charge of the accounts and finances, and of the Employment Bureau; by Mr. Richard Ray, Jr., in the Library; by Mr. Peter J. Brennan as Janitor; and by Mr. Stephen N. Wigglesworth as Stage Director, when The Union Hall is used. Others have been employed for such additional assistance as has been found necessary. The keeping of the Rooms constantly open and in clean and orderly appearance, from eight o'clock in the morning until ten o'clock in the evening daily, including Sundays, and the multiplying and varied duties



especially required by the different departments, particularly in the busy season, make the work of the employés arduous and confining, and requiring much painstaking and patience; and the Committee feel that it is due to them to commend the manner in which they have performed their respective duties.

The members of the Union who have acted as the Reception Committee and as ushers at the various meetings and entertainments have gratuitously performed much zealous and valuable labor for the Union, and their services are worthy of more than a brief mention.

One or more members of the Reception Committee have been present in the Rooms evenings, except during the summer and early autumn, for the purpose of imparting information and of making themselves serviceable to new members and strangers. The following are the members of the Committee, with their respective nights of duty: Mondays, Mr. Harry L. Folsom; Tuesdays, Mr. T. Will Harris; Wednesdays, Mr. James D. Copp, Mr. R. H. Ward; Thursdays, Mr. John H. Edwards, Mr. L. R. Harris; Fridays, Mr. W. P. Hammatt, Mr. A. A. Heuser; Saturdays, Mr. F. N. Perkins.

The following gentlemen have acted as ushers at the various entertainments given by the Union in The Union Hall during the season: Mr. Richard L. Harper, Jr., chairman, Mr. Frank L. Locke, Mr. Charles L. Burrill, Mr. Frank M. Shurtleff, Mr. Louis J. Heuser, Mr. Reginald H. Ward, Mr. William Hammatt, Mr. Kilburn Bills.

HENRY H. SPRAGUE, *Chairman*.

GEORGE PEIRCE.

WM. FRED. WHITCOMB.

### COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS.

The Committee on Members take pleasure in announcing a still further increase in the membership of the Union. During the past year, sixty (60) Life, eleven (11) Subscription, and one thousand seven hundred and forty-eight (1,748) Annual Members have joined the society; and eleven (11) Subscription, and one thousand five hundred and eighty-one (1,581) Annual Members have renewed their membership, which with the living Life Members of previous years makes a total membership of four thousand six hundred and forty-two (4,642).

GEORGE PEIRCE, *Chairman.*

W. B. CLARKE.

WALTER H. DUGAN.

### COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT ACTION.

The following results of work in the various departments conducted under the supervision of the Committee on Benevolent Action are herewith submitted:—

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU FOR YOUNG MEN.—Mr. H. C. Bronsdon, Superintendent, reports as follows:—

The number of applications for employment, 578; number of applications from employers, 360; number of applicants sent to places, 219; number of places known to have been filled, 172.

The applications from employers for boys, as office boys and apprentices, and for young men, largely exceed the ability of the bureau to supply the demand with those who can be recommended. 48 per cent. of situations offered were filled, a slight gain in percentage over the preceding year.

BOARDING AND LODGING HOUSES.—For the assistance of young men, strangers in the city and others, who may desire to obtain good boarding places, classified lists are kept, arranged according to location of the houses, of places where board or lodging may be obtained at reasonable prices. During the summer months, lists of boarding-places at the seashore and in the country were prepared as usual. These lists both of city and country boarding-places are in constant demand, and prove to be of great convenience to our members and friends. One hundred and fifty-three boarding-places were entered during the year.

SEATS IN CHURCHES.—The Committee have continued to assist members in obtaining permanent seats in churches of the denominations which they have preferred to attend, and have received the same cordial co-operation, which has been heretofore noted, of clergymen and all others to whom they have applied for assistance in this work.

CARE OF THE SICK.—The sick, when their condition has been reported at the Union, have in all cases been visited and cared for. Visits have been made by the President, Curator, members of this Committee, and others; and they have been supplied with medicine, delicacies, and reading matter as required. Dr. Douglas Graham has kindly continued to give his services when desired, and we have been similarly favored by others of the medical profession.

RELIEF WORK.—The work in this department, the Committee are pleased to report, has been light during the past year. Few applications from those not members of the Union for immediate aid at the Rooms have been made, and to these relief has been afforded,

if thought deserving; but, in most instances, such applicants have been referred to the proper charitable institutions where the desired aid could be obtained.

Clothing has been furnished, principally to members, who, by reason of sickness or for other causes, had need of being thus favored.

The relief work has been administered by Mr. H. C. Bronsdon, and Mr. Leonard Stone of this Committee has continued to act as the Special Committee on the distribution of clothing.

RIDES FOR INVALIDS, TENTH SEASON.—By means of the generous contributions received for this purpose, this branch of the work has been continued as for the past nine years; and carriages have been furnished to the sick in the hospitals and in private homes for drives in the suburbs.

One thousand and one persons to whom carriage drives were furnished were inmates of the following named hospitals and homes, namely:—

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| House of the Good Samaritan.                 | Children's Mission.               |
| Boston Lying-in Hospital.                    | St. Elizabeth's Hospital.         |
| Massachusetts General Hospital.              | Home for Aged Women.              |
| Children's Hospital.                         | Home for Aged Colored Women.      |
| St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.           | Home for Aged Females, Roxbury.   |
| Consumptives' Home.                          | Home for Aged Men.                |
| City Hospital.                               | Temporary Home for the Destitute. |
| Carney Hospital.                             | Mass. Homœopathic Hospital.       |
| New England Hospital for Women and Children. |                                   |
| Winchester Home for Aged Women.              |                                   |

With the assistance of missionaries, visitors of the Associated Charities, and other friends of the Union, drives were given to 643 others, making the total number for the year 1,644. In this service, 364 carriages were used 620 hours.



In addition to the carriage drives furnished, the Committee distributed 3,300 horse-car tickets and 881 round-trip harbor excursion tickets.

The Committee are indebted to the horse-railroad and steamboat companies for their kind co-operation in this portion of the work.

They would also express their thanks to the various friends who have assisted in conducting the drives and in distributing the car and boat tickets.

The annual contribution for this purpose amounted to \$999.50, which, with the balance on hand at the commencement of the year, has been expended as follows : for carriages, \$969.88, an average of \$2.66 each, per occupant of 59 cents ; for car and boat tickets, \$383.95 ; for other purposes, \$45.69 ; balance on hand at the close of the year, \$41.77.

The following quotations from letters and reports give some expression of appreciation of the benefit of the drives : —

“These rides are a source of great enjoyment and benefit to our convalescent patients.” — *Sister Simplicia, Carney Hospital.*

“Our sick people greatly enjoy the privileges they afford.” — *Miss Robbins, House of the Good Samaritan.*

“I cannot tell you the delight it is to these old people to get out into the sunlight and beauty of the country.” — *Home for Aged Colored Women.*

“The Boston Young Men’s Christian Union has placed, as heretofore, carriages at the disposal of the Matron.” — *Report of the Boston Lying-in Hospital.*

“Our old friends . . . the Young Men’s Christian Union, who furnish our patients with rides, again deserve our grateful remembrance.” — *Report of the New England Hospital for Women and Children.*

“We wish to acknowledge our indebtedness to the Boston Young Men’s Christian Union for the carriage drives they have

so kindly provided for the children, whereby their health has improved, and much enjoyment been afforded them." — *Report of the Temporary Home for the Destitute.*

THE COUNTRY WEEK, NINTH SEASON.—The past year has proved no exception in the increased results which have been reported each year since the inauguration of this branch of our work in 1875. 2,042 children and adults have been sent during the past season from the city to enjoy a summer vacation of two weeks in pleasant country homes, with the luxuries of pure air, cleanliness, and wholesome country fare.

It is a pleasure to the Committee to repeat, and they hope of interest to our friends to read, the annual increase in this department of work.

Beginning with 160 visitors in 1875, it has grown with each year as follows:—

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| In 1876, 320.   | In 1880, 1,377. |
| In 1877, 861.   | In 1881, 1,589. |
| In 1878, 1,046. | In 1882, 1,795. |
| In 1879, 1,316. | In 1883, 2,042. |

making a total of 10,506 visitors in the past nine years. Our visitors were sent last season into 161 different towns, where they remained 26,317 days, or 3,759 weeks. The average length of their visits was 13 days; and the average cost of each visitor was about \$4.38 for 13 days, or \$2.36 per week.

156 guests remained at the Wellesley Home, to which invalids and those requiring special care are sent, 1,915 days.

A balance of \$140.98 remained on hand April 1, 1883; and \$9,313.72 was contributed during the year. The Committee have expended \$9,002.18, and had on hand March 31, 1884, \$452.52.

The report of the Special Committee has been published as usual, and may be obtained upon application.

The thanks of the Committee are extended to the following named ladies constituting the Special Committee for 1883:—

Miss ELLEN H. BAILEY, *Secretary*.

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| Mrs. B. C. BARROWS.  | Mrs. C. R. HOWARD.   |
| Miss JULIA E. CLAPP. | Miss SOPHIE KING.    |
| Miss ELLA GLOVER.    | Miss MARY E. PIERCE. |
| Miss ADELAIDE HALL.  | Mrs. DANIEL PROCTOR. |
| Miss S. E. HEARSEY.  | Mrs. H. A. UPHAM.    |
| Miss A. LORA WEIS.   |                      |

SUFFERERS BY THE VINEYARD HAVEN FIRE.—On Saturday, August 11, 1883, the greater part of the town of Vineyard Haven was destroyed by fire. The entire business portion of the place, excepting one store, and over thirty dwelling-houses were swept away, throwing out of occupation and homes hundreds of persons who lost everything they possessed. Upon investigation of the extent of the disaster, it was decided to make the following announcement:—

#### SUFFERERS AT VINEYARD HAVEN.

ROOMS OF THE BOSTON YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION,  
18 BOYLSTON STREET, Aug. 16, 1883.

In response to a suggestion received by the Boston Young Men's Christian Union, from a source in possession of a full knowledge of the condition of the sufferers by the late conflagration at Vineyard Haven, the announcement is hereby made to business concerns and to the public that donations of blankets, bedding, clothing, etc., will be received at the Rooms of the Christian Union, 18 Boylston Street, and forwarded, with despatch, to Vineyard Haven. Transportation in part has already been kindly offered. Donors will confer a favor by sending, as far as possible, written memoranda with their contents.



This was followed by an announcement from the Mayor, under date of August 21, as follows :—

*To the Citizens of Boston*,—In response to letters received, among them one from the secretary of the local relief committee, and from which it appears that the condition of many of the sufferers by the late fire at Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard, is deplorable in the extreme, I would appeal to the citizens of Boston to furnish such relief in the premises as may be timely and practicable. I am assured that contributions of money, blankets, bedding, clothing, etc., are needed, and that they will be thankfully received. No better agency for the distribution of the charities of Boston to the sufferers of Vineyard Haven can be appointed than that already in the field, namely, the Boston Young Men's Christian Union, No. 18 Boylston Street, to whose published appeal of August 16 I earnestly invite the attention of the citizens of Boston. Donations of money may be sent to the President of the Union, Mr. William H. Baldwin, No. 18 Boylston Street.

ALBERT PALMER, *Mayor*.

Aug. 21, 1883.

Contributions were immediately received, and a check for \$700 was sent to Mr. James L. Smith, Treasurer of the Relief Committee, on the 22d of August, followed by a second for \$410 on the 25th; and subsequent amounts sent made a total subscription of \$1,566. Thirty-three packages of clothing and bedding were sent on August 20, 24, and 29, free transportation having been kindly offered by J. R. Kendrick, General Manager of the Old Colony Railroad, and Edward A. Taft, General Manager of the New York and Boston Despatch Express Company.

At a meeting of the relief committee of twenty-one of the citizens of Vineyard Haven, attended by the President, Mr. Baldwin, who had gone there to ascertain the exact situation of affairs, it was stated that no more clothing or bedding was needed, and that



further contributions of about \$2,300 (in all \$17,000) would be sufficient to meet all present needs of those who suffered by the fire.

A few packages of clothing which had not been forwarded were, with the consent of the donors, retained for use by the Committee on Benevolent Action.

SUFFERERS BY THE WESTERN FLOODS.—The floods which submerged many of the river towns along the Ohio, including the cities of Cincinnati and Marietta, again appealed to the ready sympathy of our citizens.

At a meeting which was called as is usual following all such instances of public disaster, it was announced that, if clothing and bedding were required, the Boston Young Men's Christian Union was ready to receive and forward all such contributions. Past experience had shown that clothing was generally sent in excess of the actual need, and it was therefore decided inexpedient to call for it unless actually required.

Fifteen cases and barrels were, however, received and forwarded by the Union, via Merchants' Despatch. Our action in the premises is fully sustained by the following items from the papers of March 21 and 24, 1884:—

In a letter received this morning (March 21) by the President of the Union, from Marietta, Ohio, written on the 18th, occurs the following: "If you are aware of any friends in Boston who think of sending more clothing here, please restrain them, if you can, from so doing. We have abundance of clothing for all present need."

The chairman of the Relief Committee at Cincinnati, Ohio, also writes to the Union, under date of March 22, as follows:

"I do not know of any places on the river for whose relief full arrangements have not been made. For this reason, in my opinion, there is no further necessity for contributions of any kind."

WM. FRED. WHITCOMB, *Chairman*.  
LEONARD STONE.  
NATHANIEL B. FARRAR.

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#### COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORSHIP AND RELIGIOUS STUDY.

PUBLIC RELIGIOUS SERVICES.—The Committee are pleased to be able to make a very satisfactory report of this important branch of the work of the Union.

As for many years past, public religious services have been held regularly on Sunday evenings throughout the year in The Union Hall, conducted by clergymen and laymen of the different religious denominations. Special days in Church and State have been observed as heretofore upon the Sunday evening nearest in date, which we believe has had a decided influence for good to the many young people thus reached and impressed.

The young people have given practical evidence of their full appreciation of these Sunday evening services by the full attendance and interest shown and expressed by them.

The Committee would hereby express their thanks to the clergymen and laymen of the different religious denominations who have, with the same marked kindness as in former years, accepted invitations to conduct these Sunday evening services.

The Summer Course of Sermons by Rev. W. H. Cudworth, given at a time when most of the resident clergymen are accustomed to be absent from the city, was attended with the most gratifying results, the large

and attentive audiences giving evidence of a full appreciation by the young, and others, of this provision made for their welfare and pleasure.

Our thanks are again due to Joseph T. Hazelton, James L. Hovey, Charles L. Capen, and George Mendall Taylor for valued services at the piano on Sunday evenings, and also to other musical friends who have favored the Union on special occasions observed on Sunday evenings during the year.

The following-named clergymen and laymen have conducted the services from April 1, 1883, to April 1, 1884:—

1883.

Apr. 1. Rev. Carlton A. Staples: Lecture, "Confucius and Socrates contrasted with Jesus."

Apr. 8. Rev. James De Normandie: "Honor in Young Men."

Apr. 15. Rev. James Reed: "Forgiveness."

Apr. 22. Rev. H. Price Collier. I. John ii., 14: "I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong."

Apr. 29. Rev. William Lawrence: "Bountifulness."

May 6. Rev. H. Bernard Carpenter: "Evolution and the Law of Love."

May 13. Vesper Service, conducted by the President, W. H. Baldwin. "Judgment." Musical Programme, Miss Mollie Mack, soprano; Miss Josie Scribner, contralto; Clifford Walker, tenor; Fred. Kimball, bass; J. Herbert Thompson, accompanist.

May 20. Rev. Leighton Parks: "Conformed and Transformed."

May 27. Memorial Service, Decoration Day being the following Wednesday (30th). Addresses by Capt. Nathan Appleton, of the Fifth Massachusetts Battery Light Artillery, and Rev. Edward A. Horton; Select Readings by Lorin F. Deland.

SUMMER COURSE by Rev. W. H. Cudworth. Dates and subjects:—

1883.

June 3. "The Soul's Separation from the Love of Christ Impossible."

- June 10. "How Some despise their own Souls."
- June 17. "Occupation of the Soul in Heaven."
- June 24. "Why the Soul should be Watchful."
- July 1. "Something Better than Life."
- July 8. "The Restful and Promised Presence of God."
- July 15. "Marvellous Light."
- July 22. "The Duty and Profit of trusting in God."
- July 29. "The Certain Reward of Well Doing."
- Aug. 5. "When are Human Beings Fools, and Why?"
- Aug. 12. "Ministering Spirits."
- Aug. 19. "When, Where, and How to Pray."

Supplementary,—by special request :—

- Aug. 26. "A Kind of Labor which always pays."
- Sept. 2. "The Bible Enough."
- Sept. 9. "What is the Proper Observance of Sunday?"
- Sept. 16. "Our Relations to Good Work."
- Sept. 23. "How God works in and for the Souls of his Children."
- Sept. 30. "God, the Father of Lights." :

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- Oct. 7. Babu Protap Chunder Mozoomdar, of Calcutta: Address, "Religious and Social Life in India."
  - Oct. 14. Rev. Charles F. Dole: "There is a Time to Laugh."
  - Oct. 21. Rev. Michael Burnham: "Christian Manhood."
  - Oct. 28. A Special Service in Memory of John A. Andrew; the Sixteenth Anniversary of his Death (died, Boston, Oct. 30, 1867). The John A. Andrew Post joined with the Union in this Service. Hon. James A. Fox, Mayor of Cambridge, and Major Charles W. Stevens, Members of the John A. Andrew Post, and Rev. James Freeman Clarke (who was Gov. Andrew's Pastor), and the President, Wm. H. Baldwin, took part in the Service. Special Music by Geo. Mendall Taylor and Mrs. Alice J. Osborne.
  - Nov. 4. Rev. Joseph T. Duryea, D.D.: "Completeness."
  - Nov. 11. Address, by Rev. Reuben Thomas, upon Martin Luther; Four Hundredth Birthday,—born 1483, died 1546.
  - Nov. 18. George M. Towle: Lecture, "Swedenborg, the Man and the Philosopher."
  - Nov. 25. Rev. A. D. Mayo: Thanksgiving Service. Subject, "The New England Home, Old and New."



- Dec. 2. Rev. H. Price Collier : "Man's Prophetic Power."
- Dec. 9. A Special Service in Memory of Rev. Warren Handel Cudworth, born in Lowell, Mass., May 23, 1825, and died at East Boston, Thursday, Nov. 29, 1883, for many years a Life Member and a devoted friend of the Boston Young Men's Christian Union. Brief Addresses were given by Rev. L. B. Bates, of the Methodist Church, East Boston, Rev. S. H. Winkley, of Boston, Rev. R. P. Bush, of Everett, Rev. C. W. Wendte, of Newport, R.I., and Wm. H. Baldwin, President, with special music and other exercises appropriate to the occasion.
- Dec. 16. "Forefathers' Day" Service. Addresses by Hon. Thomas Russell, of Boston, President of the Plymouth Society, and Hon. Alex. H. Rice.
- Dec. 23. Christmas Vesper Service. Address by Rev. H. B. Carpenter. Subject, "The Influence of Jesus." Special music in charge of George Mendall Taylor, Mrs. Alice J. Osborne and Mr. F. L. Pratt taking part.
- Dec. 30. Rev. Phillips Brooks : "The Old Year and the New Year."
- 1884.
- Jan. 6. Rev. Brooke Herford : "The Beauty of Holiness."
- Jan. 13. Rev. R. Perry Bush : "Closed to Unbelief, Open to Faith."
- Jan. 20. Rev. James De Normandie : "The Triumph of the Better Elements in Society."
- Jan. 27. Wm. H. Baldwin, President : "The Importance of Judgment in the Formation of Character, and to give Success in the Secular Affairs of Life."
- Feb. 3. Rev. H. N. Brown : "The Heroism of Humility."
- Feb. 10. Rev. B. R. Bulkeley : "Foes of the Household."
- Feb. 17. Hon. Mellen Chamberlain : Address, "The Poetry of the Bible as a Subject of Art."
- Feb. 24. Vesper Service. Addresses by Rev. J. H. Heywood and Rev. C. R. Eliot. Subject, "Life's Purpose." Sacred Readings by Lorin F. Deland.
- Mar. 2. Rev. O. A. Brown : "The Material and the Spiritual."
- Mar. 9. Rev. A. K. Potter, D.D. : "The Search for the Wood of the Cross."
- Mar. 16. Vesper Service. Special Musical Programme in charge

of Charles L. Capen: Miss Lizzie Webb Cary, soprano; Miss Mary How, contralto; Mr. Arthur B. Hitchcock, baritone; Wm. H. Dunham, tenor; Mr. Charles L. Capen, pianist. Address by Hon. Samuel Eliot. Subject, "Reverence."

Mar. 23. Rev. E. A. Horton: Subject and Text, "Fret not Thyself."

Mar. 30. Vesper Service. Addresses by Rev. G. M. Bodge, of Dorchester, and Rev. C. B. Elder, of Neponset. Subject, "True Success." Special Musical Programme by Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Mitchell.

SUMMER LIST OF CLERGYMEN.—In response to a public invitation, extended to the clergymen of the different religious denominations, who were to be in Boston or vicinity during the summer vacation season, to send or leave with the President of the Union their address, a list was carefully prepared, which was freely consulted, and proved to be of great convenience to many persons who had occasion to desire the services of a clergyman during that time.

SOCIAL SINGING.—An invitation has been extended each Sunday evening to the audience for all who enjoy singing sacred music to remain after the close of service.

As for many years, this invitation has been responded to by large numbers of young people and others, who have evidently derived much satisfaction and pleasure in thus together singing familiar hymns and tunes.

PRACTICAL ETHICS, SEVENTH ANNUAL SERIES.—This season's course of essays in Practical Ethics (ten in all) was given on Thursday evenings in the Norcross Hall. The course was fully attended, and of marked interest throughout.

The Committee on Public Worship and Religious Study selected, with thought and care, subjects which they believed to be of great importance to the young in the formation and development of character, and which were presented by the several essayists in the course. The subjects were all practical, bearing directly upon the duties of every-day life.

As heretofore, an informal consideration of the subject presented followed the delivery of the essay each evening, all present being invited to take part, many young people asking questions and expressing their views, thus evincing an active interest on the part of the many who have attended the course.

The following gives the list of dates, essayists, and subjects treated:—

1883.

Dec. 20. Rev. Brooke Herford: "Self-Culture and Selfish Culture."

Dec. 27. Samuel Eliot, LL.D.: "Self-Respect."

1884.

Jan. 3. Hon. Joseph S. Ropes: "Prudence."

Jan. 10. C. W. Ernst: "Newspaper Morals."

Jan. 17. Rev. J. L. Withrow, D.D.: "Integrity."

Jan. 24. Rev. F. B. Hornbrooke: "Common Sense."

Jan. 31. Rev. J. Coleman Adams: "Ambition."

Feb. 7. Rev. James De Normandie: "Persistence."

Feb. 14. Rev. Reuben Thomas: "Manliness."

Feb. 21. Hon. Darwin E. Ware: "Forethought."

WM. H. BALDWIN, *Chairman*.

WM. FRED. WHITCOMB.

C. G. HARTSHORN.

## PHYSICAL CULTURE.

Report of the Committee on Physical Culture for the year ending March 31, 1884.

GYMNASIUM.—Dr. Dudley A. Sargent, Director of the Harvard College Gymnasium, has continued his services as Medical Director; and Mr. F. C. Lister has filled the position of Superintendent and Instructor most acceptably. The Physical Examinations have been carried on more extensively than last year. Between April 1, 1883, and April 1, 1884, three hundred and forty (340) members presented themselves for a first and forty-eight (48) for a second examination. It is expected that the statistics obtained by these examinations in a gymnasium having a membership representing almost every occupation in life, compared with those secured at the Harvard College Gymnasium, with its large student membership, will afford much valuable information on the very important and interesting subject of physical culture and development. During the winter, Dr. Sargent gave a series of six Practical Talks on the Theories and Principles of Physical Training at The Union Hall. The subjects of the Talks and the dates on which they were given are as follows :—

1883.

Oct. 29. "What we learn from Physical Examinations."

Nov. 26. "The Importance of Training."

Dec. 17. "Walking as an Exercise."

1884.

Jan. 28. "The Uses of the Gymnasium."

Feb. 25. "Athletic Sports and Competitive Games."

Mar. 31. "What shall we Eat to get Strong?"

These Talks were very interesting, and were open to both gentlemen and ladies,—to the latter for the



first time, many of whom availed themselves of the privilege.

The first Gymnastic Exhibition for two years was given on the evening of February 28, to an audience of six hundred or more ladies and gentlemen; and was one of the most interesting ever held in the Gymnasium. In accordance with the policy of the management, the participants were all amateurs and members of the Gymnasium. Mr. Lister has given such instruction and advice as has been desired. Classes have been held on three evenings, two afternoons, and one morning each week. The Gymnasium was closed for three weeks last May, and was put in thorough repair previous to the opening of the new part of the Union Building on May 28. The large addition to the building doubled the size of the Gymnasium, and afforded an opportunity to thoroughly equip it with necessary apparatus. The Gymnasium is now one of the largest in the country. Its length is 136 feet, height 22 feet, and has an area of 6,200 feet, exclusive of Dressing and Bath Rooms, or over 10,000 feet in all. It is on the level of Washington Street, with light on every side, and thoroughly ventilated. The apparatus has been arranged with reference to both the weak and the strong, and opportunity is afforded for developing every muscle. The bathing and dressing accommodations are of the best. We are indebted to the Pope Manufacturing Company for one Columbia Home Trainer, which is very generally used by those interested in bicycling. There has been a large increase in membership, which, on April 1, was eight hundred and sixty-four (864).

The receipts during the year have been \$5,426.22, and the expenditures \$4,159.45.

EXCURSIONS.—Fourteen Excursions for members were made, as follows:—

- June 23. Prang's Chromo-Litho Manufactory and Parker Hill Reservoir.
- June 30. Charlestown Navy Yard.
- July 7. Downer Kerosene Oil Works.
- July 14. Barge Excursion to Blue Hill, Milton.
- July 21. Botanic Garden, Cambridge.
- Aug. 4. Soldiers' Home, Chelsea.
- Aug. 11. Excursion on the Charles River from Riverside.
- Aug. 18. Harbor Excursion to Long Island, Light-house and Fort.
- Aug. 25. Keramic Art Works, Chelsea.
- Sept. 1. Arnold Arboretum, West Roxbury.
- Sept. 20. (Evening.) Boston Gas Light Company's Works.
- Oct. 11. (Evening.) Fire Alarm Telegraph Station, City Hall.
- Oct. 25. (Evening.) Union Glass Works, Somerville.
- Nov. 2. (Evening.) Fire Alarm Telegraph Station; City Hall.

In addition to the above there was a visit made to the Foreign Exhibition on December 18. Tickets were furnished to members at a reduced price, and about eleven hundred were sold. The excursions have, as usual, been taken out of business hours, and have afforded instruction as well as recreation. The proprietors and managers of the establishments visited have received the excursionists with the same kindness and courtesy as in the past.

HARBOR EXCURSIONS.—Through the kindness of the managers of the several lines of harbor steamers, very favorable terms were secured for members wishing to make excursions about the harbor, a large number taking advantage of the opportunity.

The Excursion Committee request suggestions as to suitable excursions.

*Sub-Committee.*

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| R. L. HARPER, Jr., <i>Chairman.</i> | H. R. KELLEY. |
| E. N. HEWINS.                       | W. H. DUGAN.  |
| R. H. WARD.                         | I. C. PARKER. |
| F. SEAMAN.                          | F. W. ORCUTT. |
| F. HYDE.                            | E. L. HOMER.  |

W. B. CLARKE, *Chairman.*  
LEONARD STONE.

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**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S  
FESTIVAL.**

The Christmas and New Year's Festival for needy and worthy children was given for the eleventh season in The Union Hall on the afternoon of Saturday, December 29. The occasion is happily described in the following report of it copied from one of our city papers :—

The Christmas Festival for needy children, given at the Rooms of the Boston Young Men's Christian Union on Saturday last, was the close of holiday festivities of that nature. It is no slight work to make ready for five hundred juvenile guests, but generous hearts and helpful hands were ready to aid. A committee of ladies and gentlemen for the past two or three weeks have been selecting the children who were to be invited, studying their special needs and making ready to supply them. Five hundred and twenty-seven invitations were finally sent out, and almost every child responded when the afternoon came. They were at first gathered together in the large hall, where violin solos, by Miss Grace Edlefson, songs by Miss Alice C. Ward, orchestral music, and the singing of carols by orphan children from the Boston Female Asylum were scattered in among the speeches of reception and the entertainment afforded by a clever ventriloquist, Mr. C. J. Upham. Finally, Santa Claus appeared; and, at his beck, the curtains rolled aside, and a beautiful tree, spangled with ornaments and snowy with popped corn, appeared before the delighted eyes of the children, who uttered their pleasure in low cries of joy. While feasting their eyes on the beauties of the



tree, their material appetites were gratified by sandwiches, cake, and ice-cream. Then, each child was given a package of candy and a present from the tree; and the whole assembly was dismissed in little platoons, each filing past an open door, whence appeared a big bundle for each child. These bundles contained articles of clothing, under-garments, hose, mittens, mufflers, or something of the kind, and a toy besides. There was no doubt of the enjoyment of the little folks, and still less of their need of just such gifts and just such a good time. They were very well behaved and easily managed. The means and material for the Festival were contributed by friends of the Union; and, could those contributors have seen the bright faces of the half-clad, often ragged little bodies, they would have felt well repaid for having provided here a warm cardigan and there a thick jacket to cover up the cotton frock and the ragged gingham blouse. The charity that thus provides a festival at the Christmas-tide for those who have no celebration at home may well be encouraged. It is by no means to be classed with the careless and indiscriminate giving which only fosters pauperism and beggary.

The Committee was composed of the following named ladies and gentlemen:—

*Committee on Invitations.*

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| Miss FANNIE A. BALDWIN. | Mrs. GEO. PEIRCE.     |
| Miss SARAH E. HEARSEY.  | Miss ELLEN H. BAILEY. |
| Mr. CHASE COLE.         | Mr. JOHN REED.        |
| Mr. E. B. TOWNSEND.     | Mr. GEORGE M. FELCH.  |
| Mr. JAMES P. TOLMAN.    |                       |

*Committee on Presents.*

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| Miss C. LOUISE SMITH.   | Miss LUCY S. ROGERS.   |
| Miss GRACE O. FOLSOM.   | Miss ANNIE W. CUMINGS. |
| Miss HELEN A. FOWLE.    | Miss ABBIE S. HART.    |
| Mrs. GEORGE H. SPRAGUE. | Miss CLARA B. ROGERS.  |
| Mrs. HERBERT NASH.      | Mrs. WILLIAM L. KELT.  |
| Mr. WILL. H. REED.      |                        |

*Committee on Refreshments.*

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| Mrs. JOHN G. WETHERELL. | Mrs. JOHN GARDNER.      |
| Mrs. CHARLES FAULKNER.  | Miss LUCY M. PRINCE.    |
| Miss EDITH CREHORE.     | Miss MAY OSBORNE.       |
| Miss HARRIET WARE.      | Mrs. GEO. H. WETHERELL. |
| Mr. JAMES F. THOMAS.    | Mrs. W. F. WHITCOMB.    |
| Mr. WALTER H. DUGAN.    |                         |



*Committee on Tree and Entertainment.*

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| Mrs. NATHANIEL WALES. | Miss MILLY H. RUST.  |
| Miss ANNIE A. HOUGH.  | Miss FANNIE I. RUST. |
| Mrs. ARTHUR HOBART.   | Mrs. C. R. HOWARD.   |
| Mrs. A. K. WHITNEY.   | Mr. F. E. BABCOCK.   |
| Miss HELEN M. RANNEY  | Mr. ARTHUR HOBART.   |

A volunteer corps of young lady and gentleman attendants under the direction of Mr. E. B. Townsend greatly facilitated the serving of refreshments.

Contributions of wearing apparel, toys, etc., were received from 74 persons, of cake from 11 persons; and 133 donations in money were received, amounting to \$1,205.33.

Some of the children whom it was discovered upon investigation by the Committee needed more than it was thought advisable to give them on the day of the Festival found in their packages a note asking them to call at the Rooms of the Union on the following Saturday. On that day, a Committee consisting of Miss C. Louise Smith, Miss Annie Fiske, Miss J. Burrage, Miss Abbie S. Hart, Mrs. J. G. Wetherell, and Miss Helen A. Fowle, assisted by Mr. George M. Felch, distributed clothing and shoes, with some toys and games remaining from the Festival, to representatives of 77 families.

WM. FRED. WHITCOMB.  
 CALVIN G. HARTSHORN.  
 NATHANIEL B. FARRAR.  
 GEORGE PEIRCE.  
 LEONARD STONE.

### STATEMENT BY THE TRUSTEES.

The Trustees look back with pleasure and satisfaction upon the successful work and progress of the Union during the past year, and would join with the Finance Committee of the Board of Government in expressions of gratitude and thanks to all those friends who have favored the Union, thus enabling the Committee successfully to carry on the increasing work in its various departments, as shown by the reports of the several sub-committees given at the annual meeting, held Wednesday evening, April 9, 1884.

The enlargement of the Union Building has been completed since the last report, by which the available working space of the society has been increased by about one-half. The new extension has a frontage of seventy-two feet on Boylston Square, so that now the Union Building has light from all four sides, and covers over eleven thousand feet. The extension of the building was formally opened Monday evening, May 28, 1883, members of the Union and the public being invited to inspect the new and enlarged rooms.

We quote the following paragraph from the report of the Committee on Rooms, presented at the annual meeting of the Union, held April 9, 1884:—

Notwithstanding so much space has been added,—sufficient, it was believed, to meet the growth for years to come,—the greatly increased attendance and the many new features of work have, during the busier season, tested the increased capacity, and demonstrated the wisdom of supplying the needs which have been felt, as well as justified the friends of the Union in giving so liberally of their means for this purpose.

We also quote the following statement from one of the press reports of the annual meeting, made by

the President, Mr. Baldwin, which will, without doubt, be of interest to members and friends of the Union:—

The constantly increasing membership of the Union has for many years been a source of much pleasure and satisfaction to the Trustees and the Board of Government, the membership now reaching, as reported this evening, to April 1, 4,642. The following statistics give the constant increase of membership alluded to.

Taking the consecutive reports of the past ten years,—issued April 1, each year,—we make note of the following memberships:

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| April 1, 1875, 1,914. | April 1, 1880, 3,709. |
| April 1, 1876, 2,515. | April 1, 1881, 3,993. |
| April 1, 1877, 3,308. | April 1, 1882, 4,054. |
| April 1, 1878, 3,356. | April 1, 1883, 4,326. |
| April 1, 1879, 3,379. | April 1, 1884, 4,642. |

Amount in the hands of the Treasurer of the “*Permanent Fund*”:—

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| Nabby Joy Fund, . . . . .                          | \$5,000.00  |
| Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Six Per Cent. Bonds, . | 30,000.00   |
| One Bond, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, . . . .    | 1,000.00    |
| Cash, New England Trust Company, . . . . .         | 989.32      |
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|  | \$36,989.32 |

During the past year, the Trustees have received a legacy of \$2,200, under the will of the late Mrs. Abby C. Thayer, and a gift of \$1,000 from Peter T. Homer, Esq., which have been included in the above “*Permanent Fund*.”

They have also been informed of a legacy of \$200 from the late Mrs. Clara McLangtlin, and one of \$3,000 from the late Joseph S. Simes.

Our friends will see by the above statement that the Trustees *have been enabled to commence the accumulation of a Permanent Fund*; and they confidently hope that the time is not far distant when this Fund shall be in-

creased by the donations and legacies of those interested in our work to an amount which will afford an income large enough materially to assist in the constantly increasing and important needs of the Union.

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| HENRY P. KIDDER, <i>Chairman,</i>    | } | <i>Trustees.</i> |
| WM. ENDICOTT, JR., <i>Treasurer,</i> |   |                  |
| WM. H. BALDWIN,                      |   |                  |
| SAMUEL WELLS,                        |   |                  |
| EDWIN L. SPRAGUE,                    |   |                  |

BOSTON, April, 1884.

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### FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the "Trustees of the Permanent Fund of the Boston Young Men's Christian Union" the sum of



# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

## Boston Young Men's Christian Union

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### ARTICLE I.

#### *Title.*

THIS Society shall be called the "BOSTON YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION."

### ARTICLE II.

#### *Eligibility of Members.*

All young men of good moral character, and claiming to believe in the truths of Christianity, without distinction of sect or party, shall be eligible as members of this Society; but no person shall vote at any meeting of the Society who has not been a member for the period of one year, at least, previous to such meeting.

### ARTICLE III.

#### *Admission of Members.*

Members may be admitted in such manner and on such conditions as the Board of Government may prescribe.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### *Annual, Subscription, and Life Members.*

All persons qualified as before named, who shall be admitted in the manner herein provided, shall, upon the payment of *one dollar* annually, become and continue MEMBERS of this Society; upon the payment of *five dollars* or more,

annually, shall become and continue SUBSCRIPTION MEMBERS; and all persons so qualified and admitted, who shall pay the sum of *twenty-five dollars* in five or less annual instalments, shall become LIFE MEMBERS of the Society.

## ARTICLE V.

### *Officers.*

The officers of the Society shall consist of a Board of Directors, consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and six additional members, all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting by ballot from members of the Society, and shall hold their offices for one year, or until others are elected in their places. Vacancies occurring from any cause in said offices may be filled by the Board of Directors; and any officers so chosen shall hold their offices until the next regular election by the Society.

The Board of Directors shall have power to appoint, subject to their direction, such other officers and committees from among the members as they may deem expedient.

## ARTICLE VI.

### *Duties of the Board of Directors.*

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors,—

*First*, To provide for the use of the Society suitable rooms, centrally located in the city of Boston.

*Second*, To provide and keep in said rooms such books, periodicals, and newspapers as will, in their judgment, promote the object of the Society.

*Third*, To make such arrangements for social religious exercises as they shall deem practicable and conducive to the best interests of the Society.

*Fourth*, To induce the members of the Society to connect themselves with some of the religious societies in the vicinity, according always to their denominational preferences, and especially to seek out and impart information, and render aid, assistance, and encouragement to those who come as strangers to the city, striving to guard them against

temptation, to surround them with Christian influences, and to interest them in the cultivation of a religious life.

## ARTICLE VII.

### *Meetings.*

The annual meeting of the Society for the choice of officers shall be held on the second Wednesday in April; and other regular meetings shall be held on the second Wednesdays of July, October, and January. The Board of Directors may call other meetings of the Society from time to time; and they shall call such meetings whenever requested so to do by the written application of any seventeen members, stating the purposes for which such meeting is to be held; said meetings to be called in such manner as the said Board may deem expedient, having previously given reasonable notice thereof. Seventeen members shall constitute a quorum of the Society for the transaction of business.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### *Permanent Fund.*

The Board of Directors may transfer such of the funds of the Society as they may think best to a Permanent Fund; may appoint five trustees to control such fund, and shall at the time of such appointment determine the character of the trust by an instrument in writing. Vacancies occurring at any time hereafter in the number of said trustees shall be filled by the remaining members, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors for the time being.

## ARTICLE IX.

### *Amendments.*

These articles may be added to, altered, or amended at any regular meeting, or special meeting called for the purpose, by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, provided that such additions, alterations, or amendments shall have been proposed in writing at one meeting, at least, prior to that at which they are to be acted upon.

BY-LAWS  
OF THE  
BOARD OF GOVERNMENT.

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ARTICLE I.

*Meetings.*

REGULAR meetings of the Board of Government shall be held on the second Monday of each month. Special meetings may be called at any time, by order of the President, Secretary, or any two Directors. The Secretary shall notify members of the time and place of such meetings.

ARTICLE II.

*Standing Committees.*

At the first meeting of the Board in each year, eight standing committees shall be appointed by the President, who shall be under the authority and subject to the direction of the whole Board; and the reports of the various committees shall be first in order at each regular meeting of the Board. The committees may appoint, subject to the approval and ratification of the Board, such sub-committees from among the members of the Society as they shall deem fit, provided, however, that each sub-committee shall be subject in its action to the committee of the Board to which it is subordinate. The eight committees shall be constituted as follows :—

I. COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.— They shall have charge of the financial affairs of the Society, and shall, with the Treasurer, devise ways and means for procuring funds, obtaining donations and assessments, investing the same,



and superintending all disbursements. They shall audit the report of the Treasurer before it is submitted to the Union at the annual meetings.

2. COMMITTEE ON LECTURES, CLASSES, AND ENTERTAINMENTS.— They may provide for courses of lectures or single lectures; shall organize and have supervision of all clubs and classes formed for instruction or discussion, except classes for religious study and discussion; and shall have general supervision of all entertainments, both public and private.

3. COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY.— They shall have the general charge of all matters connected with this department. They shall purchase such books for the Library and Study, and obtain such newspapers and other periodicals as they deem expedient.

4. COMMITTEE ON ROOMS.— They shall have the general charge of the rooms, and shall take especial pains to introduce strangers visiting the city.

5. COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS.— They shall organize means for increasing the membership of the Society, and shall have the general supervision of the admission of new members.

6. COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT ACTION.— They shall organize means for providing strangers, and others in want, with employment, with good boarding-houses, with seats in churches, and shall have the general supervision of all works of benevolence and reform undertaken by the Union.

7. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORSHIP AND RELIGIOUS STUDY.— They shall have charge of all measures for public religious worship undertaken by the Union, either within or outside of the rooms of the Society, and shall have the supervision of all classes formed for religious study and discussion.

8. COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL CULTURE.—They shall have the general charge of the gymnasium and athletic sports, and other measures for promoting the health of the members.

### ARTICLE III.

#### *Treasurer.*

The Treasurer shall present to the Board a Monthly Report showing the condition of the finances. No money shall be paid by him except by the authority of the Board, or approval in writing of some member of the committee under whose direction the expenditures were incurred.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### *Annual Report.*

The Board shall present, at the annual meeting of the Society, a detailed statement of the condition of the institution and of its operations during the preceding year.

### ARTICLE V.

#### *Reports of Committees.*

It shall be the duty of all committees to keep a detailed account of their proceedings, and at the end of the year to place the same, with the reports of their sub-committees, in the hands of the Secretary of the Society.

### ARTICLE VI.

#### *Amendments to By-Laws.*

The foregoing By-Laws may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Board, providing two-thirds of the members present assent thereto; but no alteration, addition, or amendment shall be adopted at the same meeting at which it is proposed.

The President, Secretary, and Treasurer, *ex officio*, shall have the supervision of all printing and advertising.



